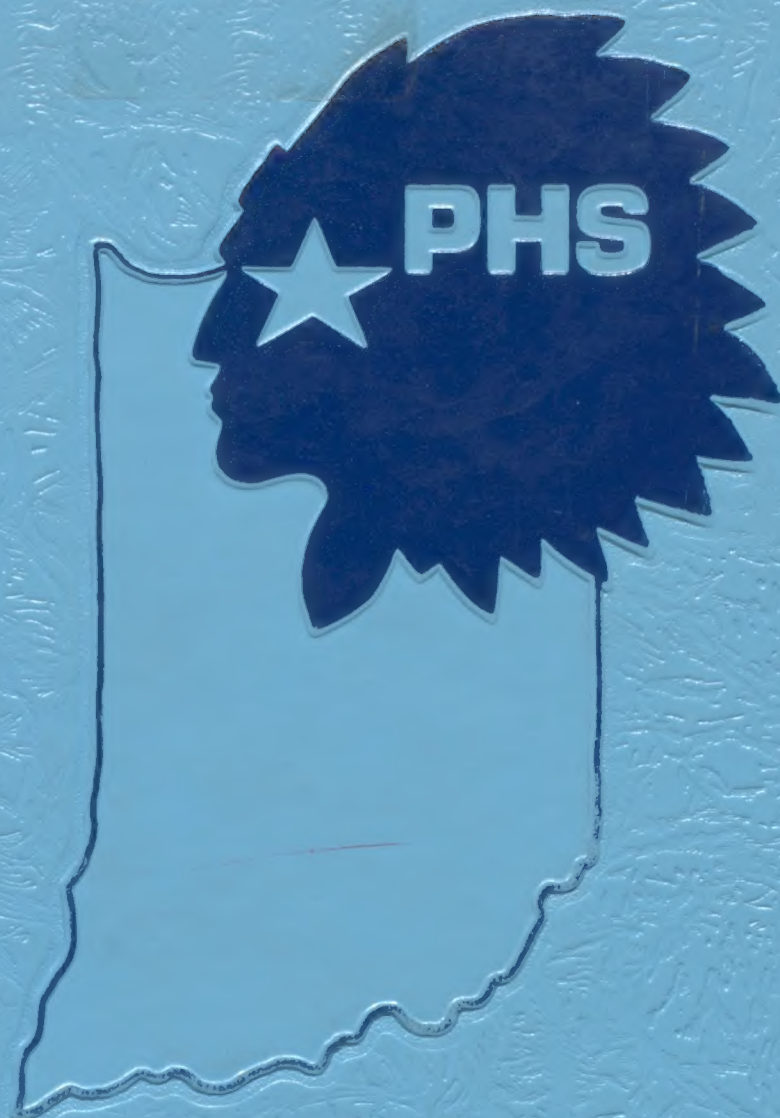
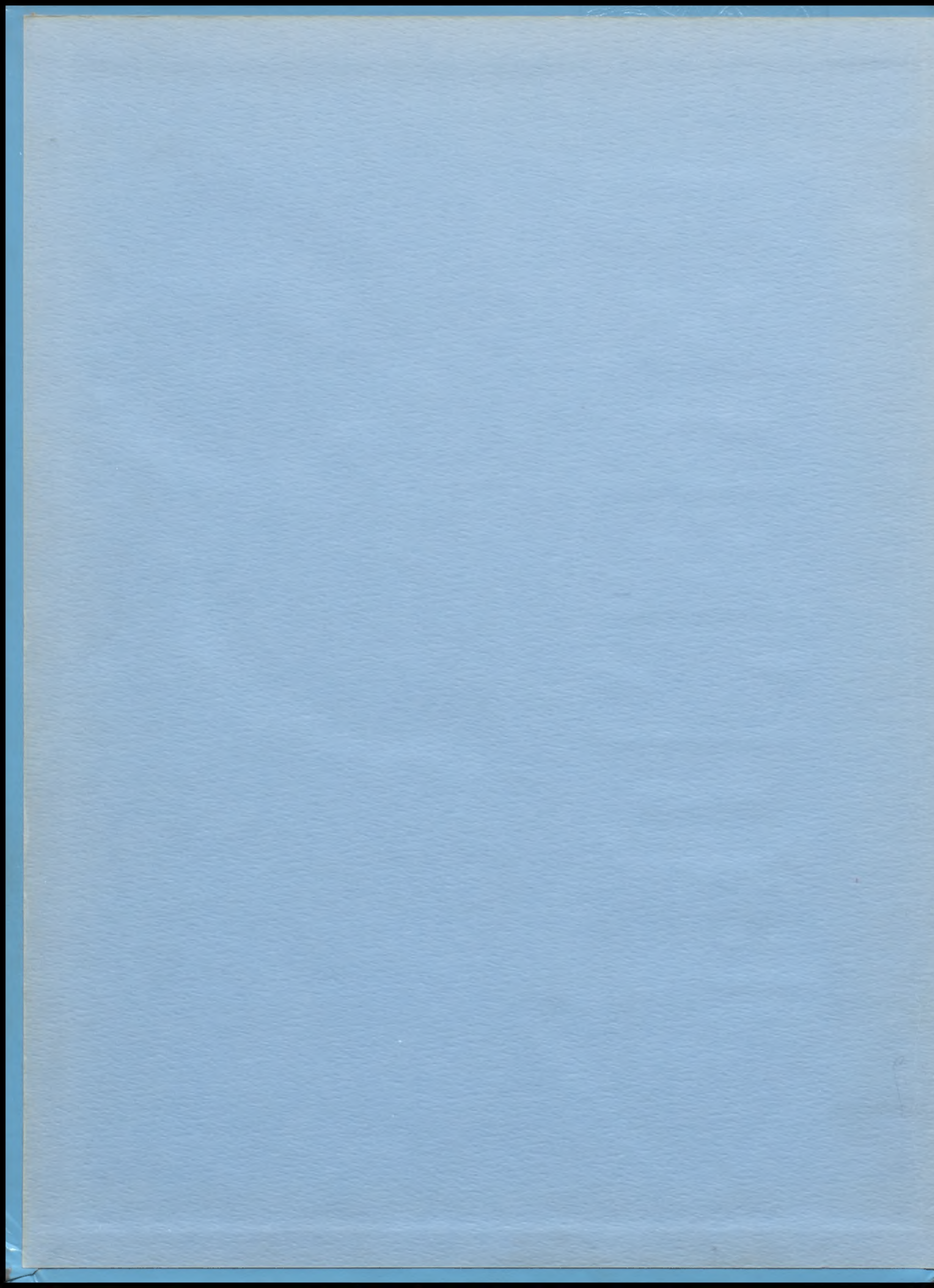
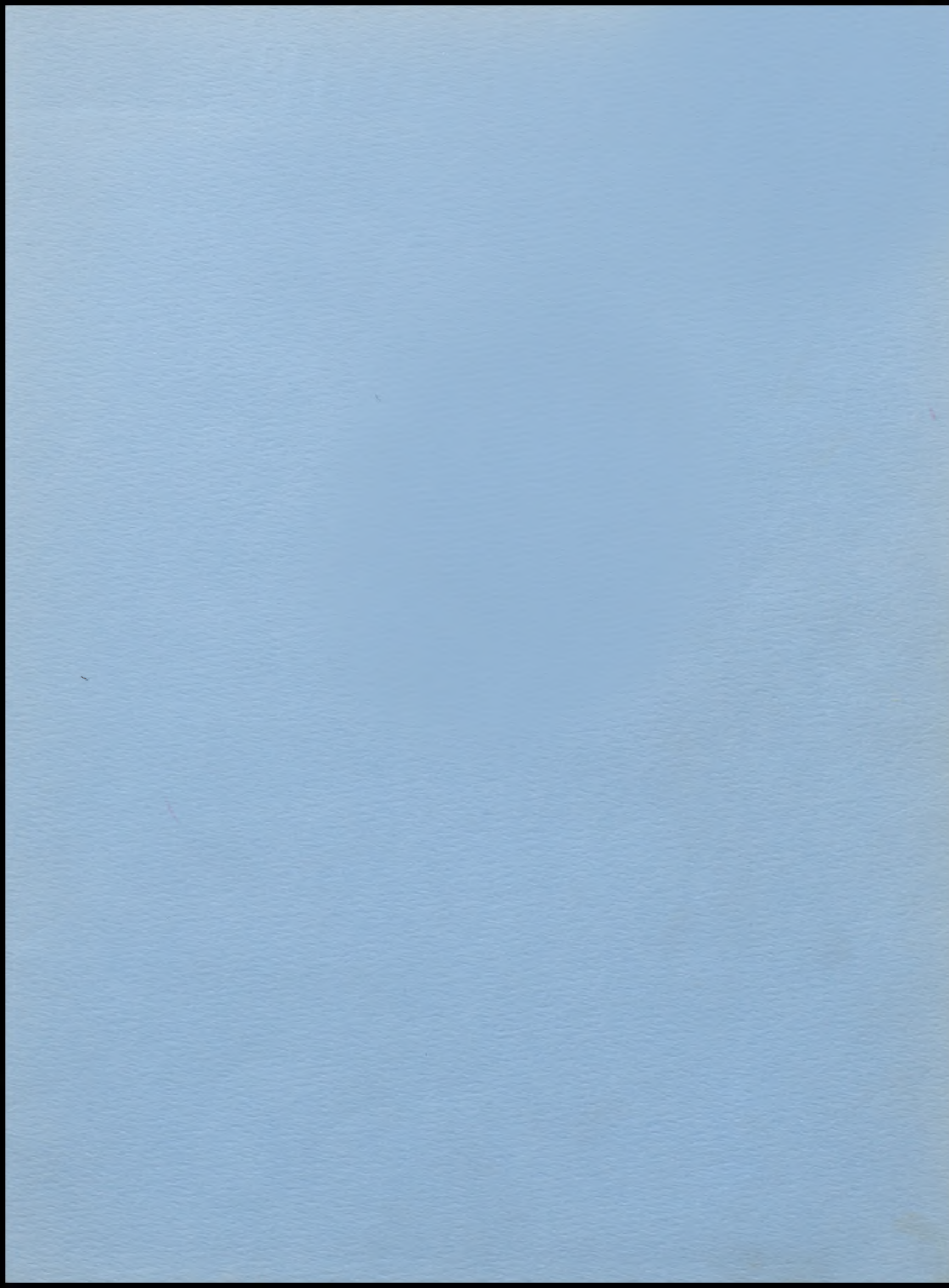


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Interaction

Students mix with Portage community

Even in their free time, students interacted with the community. Students volunteered their time to other persons through scouting, paper routes, babysitting and other activities.

Earning money was possible through interaction with the community. Babysitting was one way of helping out and earning money at the same time. It was convenient and could be done either at home or at the house of the employer. Paper routes were popular jobs, but were more demanding than other jobs. Rain or shine, paper deliverers were out

bringing the news to the public everyday. Senior Sherry Gucich said, "I've had to deliver on Christmas morning before because the national holiday fell on the wrong day."

Another form of community service was done by volunteers who helped with local scout troops as senior aides. These aides helped the leaders during meetings by teaching songs and games to the younger scouts. They often went along on camp-outs to help. Diane McDonald, sr., said, "I like working with Brownies because I like to give them a chance to learn what

I have."

Several students joined community groups such as Activating Drug Awareness in Portage Township (ADAPT). There were seven groups within the program, one of which was Positive Peer Pressure. Tonja Simons explained, "We learned to counsel other people that are our age. We have trust exercises and learn listening skills. One of the most important things stressed in this group is confidentiality. Anything said in the group stays in the group."

Making change Laurie Coker, jr., works at McDonald's. Many students turned to fast food chains for employment to earn spare cash. Sheila Hyde, sr., said "I plan to work in Portage until I'm out of school and have my own car."



Junior Kim Allen fills an order while working at Dairy Queen in Portage. Students found jobs in the community instead of going to neighboring cities because of the high cost of driving to and from work.

Senior Scott Coker helps third graders from Jones Elementary School with their Halloween costumes. Scott was enrolled in Cadet Teaching, in which students visited various elementary schools in the area to teach classes.

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Mike Mulligan and Dave Henley jrs., search for numbers called during a Bingo game at the Nativity Church carnival. Various forms of festivities such as the Grand Prix Jamboree and the JayCee's carnival attracted people to the Portage area.

Mike Westerhout and Denise Thomas, jr., do the fox trot at R-way Skate Center. R-way was a popular spot with students, especially during the winter months. Special events such as all-night skates and rock-n-roll nights attracted teenagers.



Attraction

Portage High magnetism draws visitors

Like a magnet attracting steel, PHS drew hundreds of visitors from the community, the surrounding areas and far off lands. These visitors came to observe, tour and use the modern facilities.

From places as far away as Nigeria and the state of Jordan, school administrators working on their doctorate degrees came to observe the facilities and procedures used at PHS. "We have one of the finest physical facilities in this region of the country. We have things worth seeing, and we don't mind sharing them with visitors,"

said Principal Forrest Rhode. "It makes you feel proud you're part of something people want to be involved with."

Community groups such as the Rotary and Lions Clubs came to tour the school. They also made use of the carpeted cafeteria for their style show, banquets and meetings.

Portage's vocational department induced nine students who drove from other schools to Portage to participate in the Computer Ed course and Diesel Mechanics program. Dalynn Valette, a senior from Valparaiso High School, said

she commuted to PHS because, "Portage is the only school that has Computer Science courses right now, and I wanted to learn more basics before I go to college." Jeff Wilson, a senior from Chesterton High School, added, "This Data Processing class teaches COBOL, and I wanted to learn more computer languages." These students came for various reasons, but "basically, Portage is the only school corporation in the county to have these programs. We've had requests from students in Lake County schools to take courses at Portage," said Mr. Dean Shatz.

Senior Darlene Alvarado and guidance counselor Mr. Robert Mullen help decorate the hall across from the student commons. School spirit and various activities induced students to stay after school during Homecoming week.



Monroe

Indiana State University graduate students working on their doctorate degrees flew in from Terre Haute to observe systems, facilities and procedures used by the administration and staff in the one-year-old school.

Joe Gaudio, soph., and other PHS marching band members practiced after school and for hours in the hot summer sun to perfect their halftime entertainment and NISBOVA contest routine. The band received a first division at NISBOVA contest.



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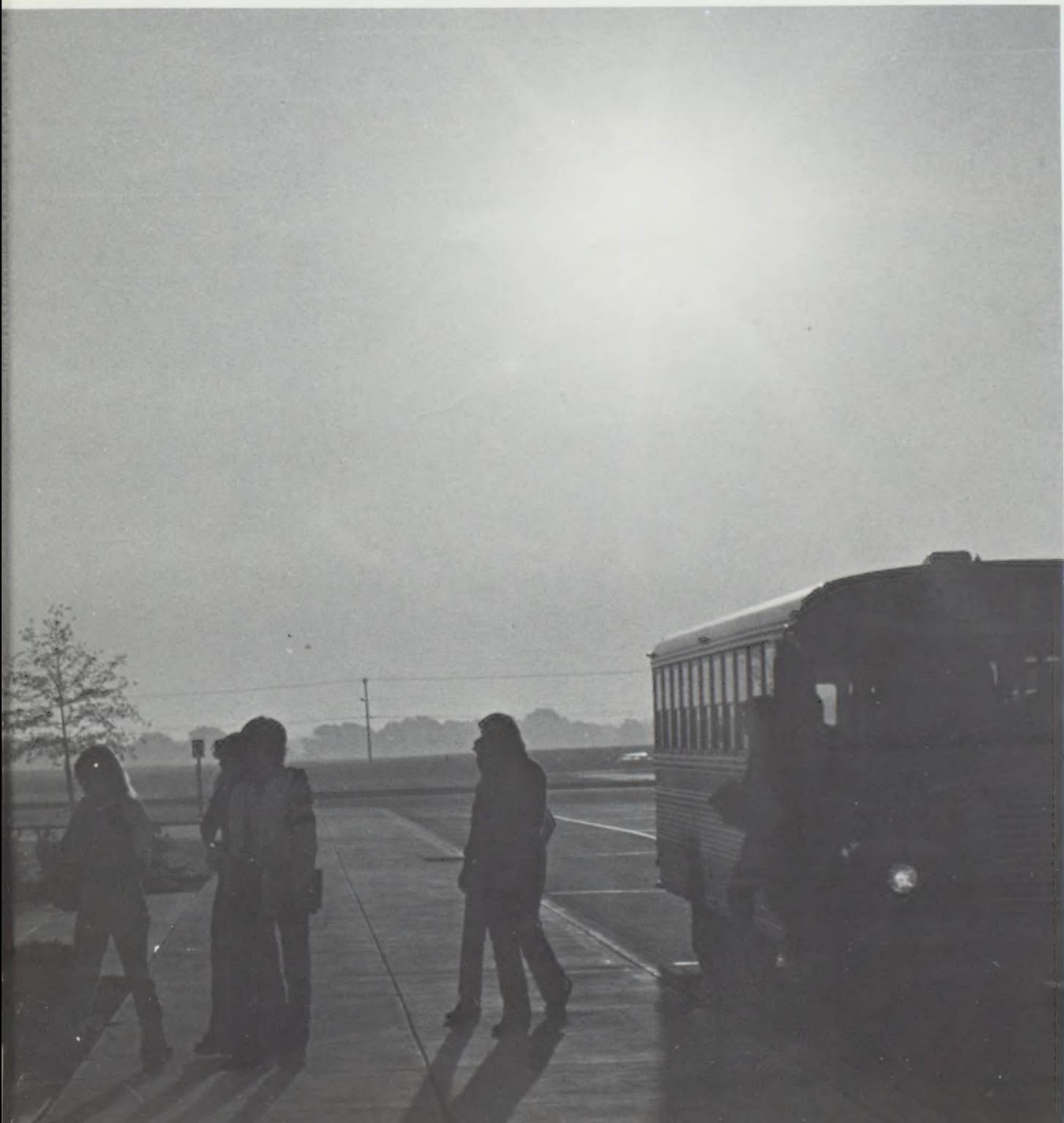


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Genenis Berg, sr., sells a PHS football ticket to Mrs. Debbie Echterling. The power of the football team drew large numbers of fans from the community. "I like watching football, and Portage is a good team," Mrs. Echterling said.

From early morning to late at night, the magnetism of the high school attracted students and people from the surrounding area to use the PHS facilities. Open pool, open gym, dances, clubs and sports were some activities which drew people to the school.



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A thumbnail sketch of a young city

Imagine a Portage long before all the people and buildings arrived—an unfriendly terrain composed of marsh, dunes and dense forest. At one time there was an encampment of Pottawotomi Indians near what is now the Holiday Inn. The first settlers in this area also reported killing bears in the northern section of the township and said that "wolves were very troublesome until the railroads came in."

Portage is one of the youngest cities in the state. In 1959 three unincorporated villages, McCool, Garyton, and Crisman, a total of 22 square acres of land, were joined to form the town of Portage. At this time it was known as the largest, fastest-growing town in the state. It was incorporated as a city in January, 1968, and is now the county's largest city.

In 1960 a master plan was devised by the town board for orderly development of the area. Under its regulations industry had to be located in the northern one-third of the town, and single and multiple dwellings were to be built in the southern two-thirds of the area. There were also plans for a hospital to be built on the corner across from where Time Low now stands.

After the 1852 construction of the Michigan Central railroad, now part of the New York system, and the Port of Indiana in 1969, there was rapid growth of industry in the region. Nine of the nation's top 20 corporations have facilities in this area, and the world's largest single steel plant also resides here. This rapid growth of industry caused the population of the area to grow at a rate six times faster than the nation's.

Portage is now known as the "Home of the Port of Indiana."

Portage's first graduating class completed its schooling in a one-room schoolhouse. The old Crisman school was Portage's first high school. Later it became a junior high, then an elementary school. The building is now a service center.

In 1962, Bethlehem Steel, the nation's second largest producer, built its plant in the northern section of the town. The growth of the steel mills in the area caused Portage to be, at one time, the fastest growing town in the state.

Portage's incorporation to a city in 1968 changed the government of the town from a board of trustees to a mayor-board government. The mayor of Portage in 1980 was John Williams, a former Portage High School English teacher.





The first white settler in this area was Joseph Bailey, a fur trapper who built his home here in 1922. Since then the population of Portage has grown by leaps and bounds. In the last census there were roughly 26,511 persons residing in Portage.



THE MALL



THE MALL



A long way from the one-room schoolhouse Portage started out with, the modern, three-story Portage High School has an enrollment of 2,149. The Portage school system has been awarded a "First Class Commission" and is an accredited secondary school.

An Alumnus of Portage High School Dan Crandall does research work at the Portage Public Library. The library recently moved from its old location in the Portage Mall to a new building on Lois street.

Portage provides student relaxation, fun

Teenagers predominate the recreation seeking crowd, and PHS students were no exception. Many Portage students traveled to Merrillville and Michigan City for movies and such, but more and more teenagers were trying to find amusement in Portage to help combat the rising cost of transportation. The average cost of a gallon of gas in 1980 was \$1.25.

Although there were not many recreation areas in Portage, students still could spend time in town. John Petrovich, jr., said, "I like bowling and skating, and Camelot Lanes and R-Way Skate Center are

convenient." Besides these attractions, Portage possessed a large number of fast food restaurants such as Burger King and McDonald's. These places provided a gathering spot for students after PHS sporting events. Diane McDonald, sr., commented, "I think that Portage could use a restaurant that is teen-orientated where teenagers go to see their friends instead of just going to a fast food joint."

For students who had spare time but no spare change, the Portage Park Department offered baseball diamonds and basketball

courts to which Portage residents had access free of charge. For a small fee, the park also sponsored special events like hayrides, canoe trips, and trips to Chicago to see a play or musical.

PHS students were often unhappy with recreation choices in Portage. "If you're not in the mood for the ones Portage has, there's no where else to go," said Rhea Spicer, sr. One sophomore said that it would be nice if a cinema with good movies was built in Portage. Then teens wouldn't have to spend a fortune on gas just to see a movie.

Victor Rundberg, sr., plays *Galaxian* in Mall Amusements, a recent addition to the Portage Mall. The new video craze has prompted the building of many pinball arcades. Portage's contains pool tables as well as pinball and video machines.



Felter

Joe Manna, sr., combines pleasure with work at Camelot Lanes on Route 6. Joe's interest in the sport prompted him to get a job at the lanes. As a result, he enjoyed the employee discount whenever he wanted to bowl a couple of games.

Central Avenue has been the "hot spot" of Portage because of the restaurants and shops located there. Route 6, however, may soon become the new activity center because of the increased building in that area.



The Housing

After Hours After Hours Aft



Among the many persons crowded into Valparaiso, on the day of the second annual Popcorn Festival, were the Portage High School Marching Indians. The members participated in the parade and were given free lunches afterward.

A large part of Portage recreation was provided by the school system itself. Sporting events were the largest of the attractions. Other activities that were sponsored were dances, parades and elementary school carnivals.



Dunes State Park was a popular place for students during the summer months and the beginning of the school year. It was used for swimming, frisbee or volleyball. It was also a romantic spot to go for a walk in the moonlight.

Gearing up for the Indianapolis 500, Roger Thorn, sr., practices at Great America. Despite the \$10.95 ticket, persons made the two-hour drive in order to enjoy the theme park located in Gurnee, Illinois.



Summertime possibilities: play, work, learn, leave

Summer Vacation . . .

A time for working—Dave Malone, sr.: "I don't like to borrow money from my parents, so I got a job during the summer vacation in order to earn spare cash."

A time for nothing—Nancy Wielgus, sr.: "All I did last summer was sit around. I got so totally bored that I went out and got a job just to pass the time."

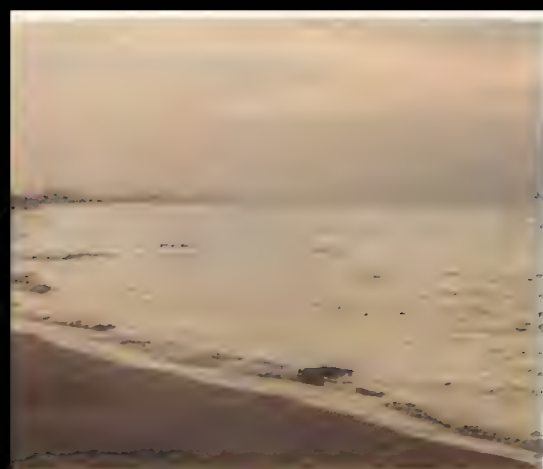
A time away from home—Jen Bistransky, sr.: "My cousin and his friend came over from Germany. We took them to Mackinac Island, up into Canada so they could get their passports stamped in another country, over to Minneapolis to see my aunt, then back here to Portage, stopping

at Marriott's on the way."

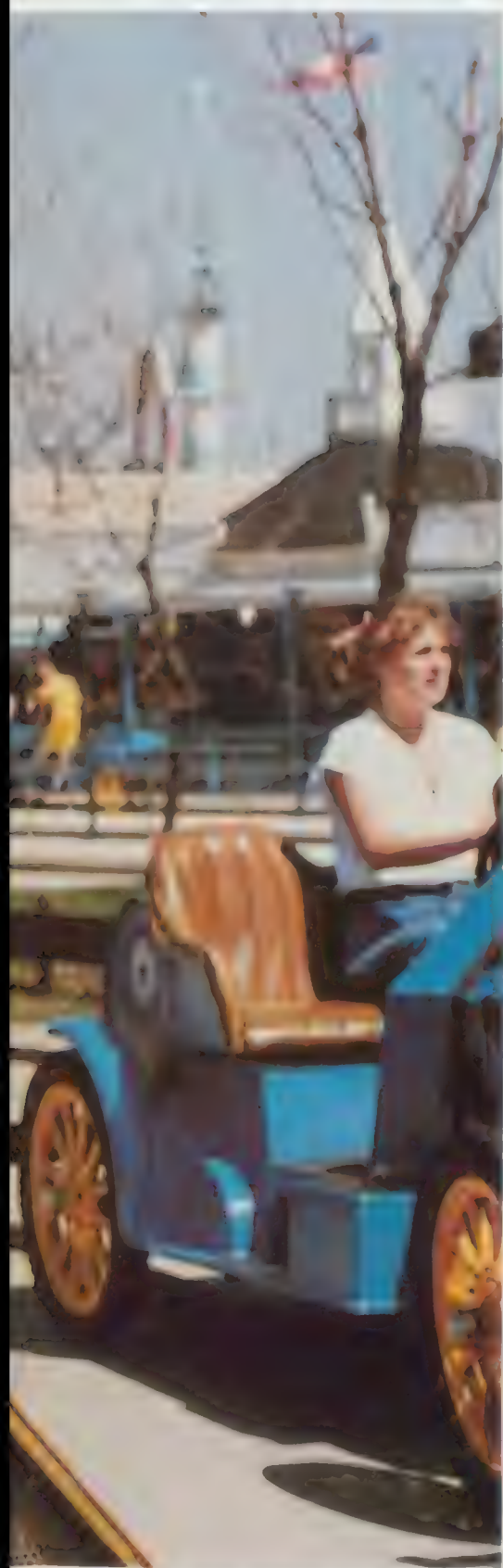
A time for learning—Lynn Kwilas, sr.: "I heard about a summer computer course at IUN through Mr. Cantwell. Summer vacation sounded like a good chance to get a head start on college credits so I took it."

A time for play—Carol Ondras, jr.: "I really love summer sports because they are challenging. You never get into the same situation twice."

A time for friends—Kim Allen, jr.: "I played softball last summer because most of my friends are in it and all the people involved are really great."



Guetch



Rogers



Bollinger



A group from Ogden Dunes takes an afternoon for a neighborhood football game. Students had to coordinate their own recreational games until school activities such as intramurals and fall sports began.

Mark Kingery, sr., finds a blacktop street an ideal place for summer skating. Roller skating has recently become popular and skaters can be found on many roads throughout the country as well as in specialized rinks.

Rogers

Charlie Brown (Greg Beasley) is depressed because he didn't get any Valentine's Day cards, even though he sent one to all his friends. Snoopy (Chris Shuster) doesn't help matters when he pushes in a wheelbarrow full of Valentines.

Dwight Vigna has his own way of saying good-bye to Jesus, played by Randy Tumblin. He jumps into his arms with a smile, but it doesn't last long because of the realization that his friend will soon be killed



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In one of the final scenes of **Godspell**, Jesus (Randy Tumblin) is crucified while his friends watch and realize what is happening. The play does end on a happy note, with the realization that Jesus will someday return to his friends.

Lucy (Rhea Spicer) threatens her little brother Linus (Dave Gallardo) by using her five fingers curled into one single, terribly mean element. Lucy's character is one of an egotist, women's libber and number one crab.

John the Baptist (Mr. Bill Bodnar) sings "Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord" as he baptizes Pam Buhman and the other cast members. **Godspell** was performed four times, July 18, 19, 25 and 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the new auditorium.



Thomasino



'Charlie Brown', 'Godspell' presented

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown

Take a cartoon strip, add some songs, sprinkle in characters, and what does it turn out to be? ***You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown***.

PHS usually has a fall play, but this year Mr. Bill Bodnar, director, decided to do a musical instead. He chose this play because "I have always loved it and have always wanted to do it."

The cast consisted of six people. The leading role of Charlie Brown was filled by Greg Beasley, sr. Other cast members were Dave Gallardo as Linus, Scott Coker as Schroeder, Chris Shuster as Snoopy, Peggy Adams as Sally, Rhea Spicer as Lucy and Jenny Rocchi as Patty.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown is based on the comic strip "Peanuts" written by Charles M. Schultz. In 1967 Clark Genser adapted the play from the comics.

The crews and technical directing class were in charge of costumes, make-up, lighting, sounds and props. Mr. Joe Stevens, stage manager, said, "We do everything except act."

Godspell

Every class has a ten-year reunion, but for six people from the class of '75, a decade was too long to wait. They, along with four others, gathered at their alma mater to reproduce the musical ***Godspell***.

The play was first performed at Grissom in '75. When it was again performed at Portage, six of the original cast members joined in the reunion: Randy Tumblin, Gregg Sobkowski, Karen Kovalow, Mary Kimbrough, Pam Buhman and Cindi Moech. Joining the original cast were Dwight Vigna, Mr. Bill Bodnar, Bob Collins and Sue Whitworth.

Mary and Gregg first had the idea to

present the play again. Mary said, "Gregg and I were looking through our yearbook and started talking about doing it again. Then we went to Mr. Killion with the idea, and he agreed."

Mr. Jim Killion directed the musical both in '75 and '80. He said, "One of the most exciting times in my teaching career has been my association with ***Godspell***."

The word "gospel" is derived from the Old English word "godspell". It means "anything accepted as absolute truth" or "one of the first four books of the New Testamaent." The musical was taken from the book of Matthew.

Charlie Brown (Greg Beasley, sr.) sits isolated during lunch hour. Charlie dreaded that time of day because the little red-headed girl was there, but she did not even know that Charlie was alive.

Victories provided by Homecoming

It was the week before Homecoming. Spirit was high. Victory was inevitable.

And victory it was. The Indians sliced LaPorte, 34-6. But the football game wasn't the only victory at Portage. School officials let down the tower of laws, and PHS had a spirit week which was well received by students. Russ Rambo, jr., said, "I think they should have the same activities again next year because it aroused team spirit."

Three other victories came the day of the game. Two came during halftime. Dorinda Campbell was the happy winner of the Homecoming queen title. Dorinda said, "When they announced me as the 1980 Homecoming queen, it took a few seconds for it to sink in and then it totally shocked me."

Second, Dave Ulemek was given the title of Mr. Football. Dave said, "When Coach Klein told me to stay out on the field to get the honor, I was almost in tears with happiness."

During the pep session the senior class took victory for spirit: best hall decorations, most dressed in appointed clothing, best float and best overall spirit.

As the mighty Indians rush out onto the PHS field to confront LaPorte in the Homecoming game, the cheerleaders and Indianettes cheer them onto victory. The final score was 34-6 with the Indians on top.

Seniors Scott Coker and Sheila Hyde decorate the student commons for spirit week. The seniors had possession of the commons and decorated it with streamers, posters and a banner proclaiming "Underclassmen, wipe your feet."



Queen Dorinda Campbell, Mr. Football Dave Ulemek



Band members took advantage of the spirit week by using lunch hours on Friday to entertain students in the student commons. They also performed several numbers during halftime of the Homecoming Game, as well as the other home games.



Cassie Malinoff, Mark Estelle



Tammy Sutherland, Brian Dooley



Laura Peterson, Chuck Torrez



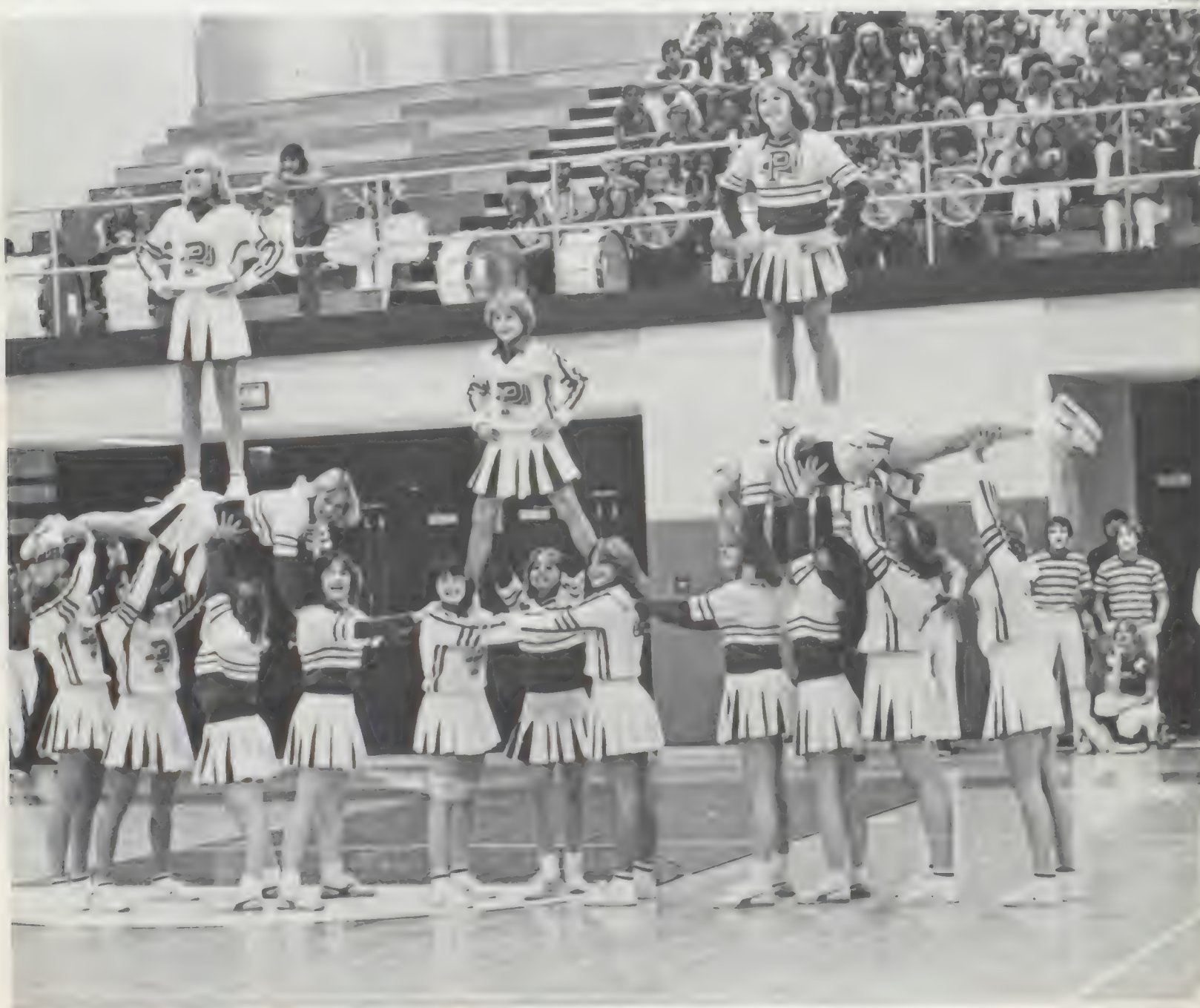
Tracey Necco, Mark Baker



Seniors Ken Roper and Jeff Emmons take a break after playing the school song. They were two of the band members that gave up their lunch hours to perform for the students and faculty, who also gave up eating to arouse spirit.

Mr. Don Morris decorates his van to show that parents have school spirit, too. "I like the game of football, and having been a football player in my high school days, I enjoy seeing school spirit." Mr. Morris was on Portage's first football team.

Cheerleaders perform one of their many cheers to help fire up the players and fans at the Homecoming pep rally. The cheerleaders helped inspire the football team to a 34-6 romp over the LaPorte Slicers.





Chris Lute, jr., and Dan Neary, soph., do one of their contest numbers. The band was one of the biggest sponsors of spirit and pride that existed in PHS. They practiced marching every night and kept it up until their routines were perfected.

Pep sessions were one of the incentives offered to athletic teams throughout the year. Seniors proved to have the most pep during Homecoming week. They took all the awards for spirit including best float, hall decorations and overall spirit.



CAUTION: ENTER WITH PRIDE

Mr. Marv Allison gets into the spirit of Homecoming by suiting up in cowboy wear. "I'm into school spirit," he said. To promote school spirit, Student Council set Tuesday of Homecoming week as western dress-up day.

"**Caution: Enter With Pride**" was the theme of the band throughout the football season. Seniors Chuck Giley and Cindy Kestle and jr. Doreen Morlock made the sign to promote school unity among band members.

Success of school year: a result of pride, spirit

Pride and spirit were a big part of the success of the 1980-81 school year. Students participated in the many events planned by the student council and school officials.

"I think the senior class, especially, has shown good school spirit thus far in the school year, and, overall, the entire student body has been showing good school spirit," said Mr. Michael Lemond, social studies teacher, during football season.

The new building also contributed to the overall interest that students expressed in school activities. "I think school spirit is improving because of the pride we are taking in our new school, but I also believe it should be better. We must continue to strive to further improve school spirit," said Mr.

Greg Kirby, business teacher. Ken Nush, sr., commented, "The students had more pride in the school and accepted the new building."

The band was one of the biggest organizations that contributed to school pride and spirit. They performed at regionals and won a first division. They helped unite the school at football games as well. They played the school song, led cheers and yelled remarks along with everyone else.

Cheerleader Kim Allen, jr., said, "Thanks to the Indianettes, flag and rifle corps, band and pep club, it has been a super year. It's nice to represent our school in such a fun way (cheerleading). It's a lot of fun, especially when everyone gets rowdy."



A garbage can's view of a PHS student taking pride in cleaning up the halls of the school. Students, as a whole, kept the school looking neat and clean throughout the school year for the many visitors and for themselves.

These are few of our favorite things

PASTIME ...

Jeff Trella: playing drums, because I love music and the drums, and I can let out my frustrations at the end of the day.

Dale Dahlgren: sports, because it keeps me out of trouble and I feel it teaches you great respect for not only yourself, but for your teammates and opponents which will benefit throughout your life.

Larry Trzeciak: playing basketball, because it gives me time to think over my problems and to let out my frustrations.

Ken Cary: walking through the forest,

because I like the peace and quiet, the animals and the beauty of it all.

Barbara Woolcott: reading, because books can take you anywhere you want to go, and do anything you want to do.

MISCELLANEOUS ...

Color — Sheryl Biodrowski: purple.

Movie star — Guy Medley: Clint Eastwood.

Sport — Scott Matesic: basketball, because it is a team sport, and it's great to compete against other schools.

Number — Ed Purcell: 3,875,437,937,653 because it's not an every day number (it's

unique).

City — Erik Carlson: New York, because that's where the biggest comic book convention is held.

Person — Bill Pendleton: Magic Johnson, because in seven years he has taken teams to finals in basketball whether it be in high school, college or pro.

Place — Julie Lenburg: the beach, because it's one place I have to go to think without the pressure of others around me.



Kurt Ingram, sr., combines his musical ability and his favorite pastime to play the drums for the various bands. Jeff Trella, sr., also enjoys playing the drums because it helps me release my frustrations.



Alan Johnson, sr., takes advantage of the free time he has during study hall to go to the library and read his favorite magazine. The library was open from 7:15 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. so students could study, listen to music or just relax.

Scott Matesic, soph., not only played on the JV team, but he also participated in his favorite pastime. Scott said he liked basketball because he liked competing against the other schools in the area.



Many students from PHS enjoy the use of the beach during the last few months of the school year. Photography classes visited the Dunes a couple times throughout the year to help improve their photographic skills.



Rogers

Simons

What are some of your favorites . . .

T.V. SHOW

Sally Eftenoff	Bosom Buddies
Lynn Pappas	Eight is Enough
Sonya Rollins	Fridays
Tina Evans	General Hospital
Shaunda Fritz	Dynasty
Mike Krenkel	M*A*S*H
Mike Kicinski	BJ and the Bear
Diane McDonald	Soap

T.V. STAR

Theresa Jones	Robert Wagner
Bill Miller	Lou Ferrigno
John McMahon	Suzanne Sommers
Lisa Creviston	Willie Aames
Sharissa Hollenshead	John Schneider
Frank Vernallis	Valeri Bertinelli
Kurt Rushing	Alan Alda

TEACHER

Kim Haslet	Mr. Masty
Tami Nugent	Mr. Bodnar
Tammy Landsbaum	Mr. Halaschak
Bert Fekete	Mr. Turpa
Lisa Milligan	Miss G. Kotyuk
Mike Robinson	Mr. Amling
Teresa Valentine	Mr. Allison
Mike Higgins	Mr. Stevens



Rob Johnson and Chris DePorter



Terri Whitten



Larry Smock



Anne and Marcy Horvath



Kurt Rushing and Joe Durkin



Nate Tomlin

Body language: talking without vocal expression

A picture can tell 1,000 words, but by reading someone's body language, you can tell what he thinks or how he feels about any given situation. The study of *kenosis*, nonverbal communication, centers around three areas of man's body movements: gestures, posture and facial expressions.

Some people can't talk without using their hands to help describe what they're saying. Many of the gestures used today originated for different reasons or from certain situations in the past. Crossing of the fingers, first used for Christian worship, was a secret version of making the sign of the cross, symbolizing

protection. Today it is used as a wish for good fortune.

Gestures we use in the U.S. can also take on different meanings in another country. The OK sign in the U.S. means perfect, but in Japan it indicates money, and in France it means nothing or worthless. In Greece and Malta the sign is an obscene insult.

Eye contact is another important aspect of body language as the eyes are "the windows of the soul." For each situation in which you are involved, there is a moral looking time, a certain amount of time you can hold another person's glance. This time limit varies according to where you are, how well you know the people you're with and what your relationship to them is. In an elevator the moral looking time is very low. Most people tend to stare at their feet or at the buttons, rarely meeting the other people's eyes because in such an enclosed area it would be invading their privacy. The amount of time you can hold someone's glance also depends upon where you live. If you are a Hispanic girl and you meet your father's or boss's eyes, you would be considered bold or fast. However, an American girl who meets her father's or boss's eyes would be considered honest and straightforward. In Liberia the speaker looks the listener straight in the eye the whole time he's talking. In the U.S., the speaker breaks contact now and then for an emotional and visual rest.





Ryan's Hope; Ken George Jones (Trent Jones) and
Jillian Beaulac (Nancy Addison).



General Hospital; Jennifer Smith (Lisa Marie),
Luke Spencer (Anthony Geary) and Laura Baldwin
(Genie Francis).

One Life to Live; Asa Buchanan (Philip Carey).

Soap operas wash away afternoon

She's sitting in Government, but her mind is not on what the teacher is saying. As her mind drifts away, she is thinking ... Will Heather get caught? ... Will Monica catch Alan in the act? ... Will Luke and Laura ever get married? ... How about Jeff and Ann?

What's that? Oh, the teacher is asking her something. What? Where does the Congress meet? Oh, that's easy. She answers, "General Hospital."

Although she watches three different soaps, her favorite is General Hospital. She watches it intently, getting up only in case of fire.

Every person who watches the soaps is not that involved, but PHS has several soap opera buffs. "I watch soaps because they hold my interest, and the characters are able to do things in their make believe lives that I can't do in mine," commented a devoted soap opera fan.

According to the Nielsen ratings, General Hospital is the top ranked soap opera. It is a likely candidate for the position of most popular among students at PHS, also. "I like General Hospital because the actors are terrific. They play their parts with meaning, and they can make you believe anything," said Jaymi McCabe, sr.

"General Hospital is my favorite, because it's exciting, and you always are kept in suspense until the next day," said Tina Evans, soph.

What time is it? What? Two o'clock already? Sorry, but I have to go now. It's been real nice seeing you again, but I have to go visit a sick friend at "the Hospital."



'Bad Seed' first thriller play presented

The winter play, **Bad Seed**, was the first thriller ever performed by the drama department.

Mr. Bill Bodnar, director, selected the play because he has loved the production since his childhood. **Bad Seed** is special, he said, because, "It holds the audience through a beautiful sense of incongruity with an unlikely antagonist in an eight-year-old girl."

The stage set-up for the play was also different. The whole production took place in one room, which is called a one-unit set.

There were seven weeks of rehearsal before performances Feb. 20 and 21. Terry Bryan, soph., commented, "I enjoyed it (the play) very much. The rehearsals were hard, but when performance night came, the rehearsals were well worth it." Terry, who played Mrs. Penmark, plus more than half of the cast, had never been on stage before.

Cast members had different feelings up on stage. Greg Shinall, soph., laughed, "I was real nervous, especially when I burnt my finger lighting my pipe." Scott Coker, sr., added, "I felt more nervous, excited, and anxious all at the same time."

Other cast members included Andrea Eyster, Dave Gallardo, Brian Herr, Lori Lynn, Karen Nolan, Jenny Petti, Carol Shirey, Melissa Ure and Ed Wiltse.

The production crew members were Monica Aslin, Greg Beasley, Jennifer Bistransky, Diana Cornett, Jeri Eubank, Chuck Giley, Cindy Kestle and Eric Kurtz.

Also, Robert Leamy, Nancy Lockart, Ron Luke, Tim Luketich, Kathy Marriott, Cindy Matysik, Diane McDonald, Jim Michalak and Rick Millikin.

Also, Scott Pieszchala, Jenny Rocchi, Cindy Runyon, Chris Shuster, Rhea Spicer, Frank Stimson, Tracy Weaver, Kathy Welther and Debbie Wetklow.



Scott Coker, sr., comforts his daughter, **Carol Shirey, soph.**, before he leaves for the Army. Carol made her debut on stage as the leading character, an eight-year-old antagonist who has murdered three before the play ends.



During backstage preparations Scott Coker, sr., helps Jenny Petti, sr., apply her make-up. Scott has performed in seven plays including **Bad Seed**. Many cast members will be honored and invited to join Thespians.

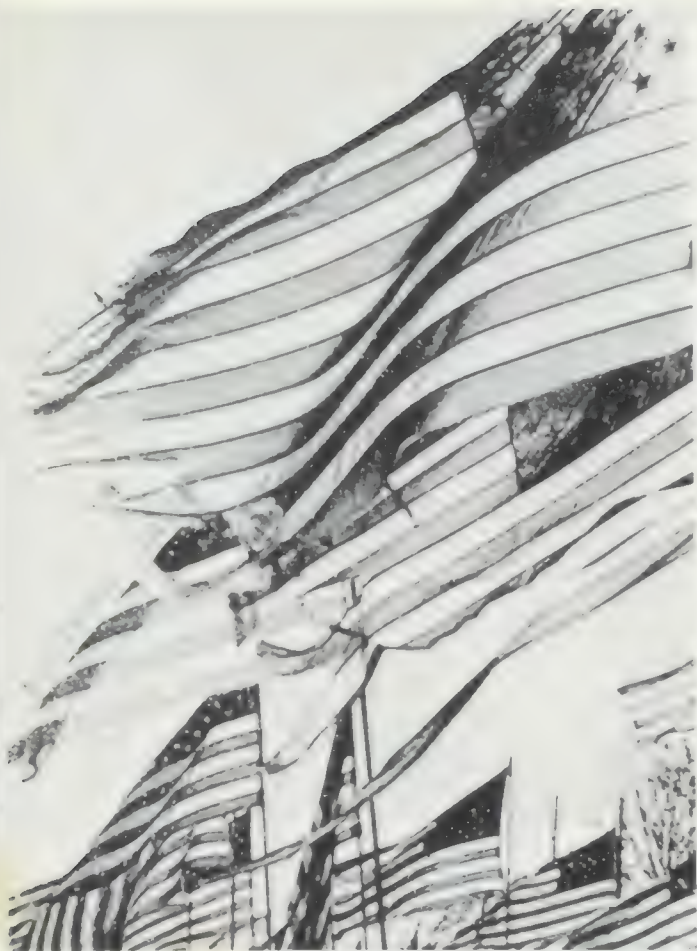
Giving Carol Shirey, soph., a necklace, Lori Lynn, jr., and Terry Bryan, soph., watch her reaction. About 60 students tried out for the roles in the play, but only 11 characters and one student director were chosen.

Leroy, the cleaning man, Ed Wiltse, soph., has no idea of his upcoming murder as he cleans the floor in the apartment of the murderess. The play was presented Feb. 20 and 21, playing to an audience of about 400.



Relieved hostages credit to it is the price that saved them from Iran to West Germany, where they stayed for approximately one week. After returning to the U.S., they were treated to many special events, including a tape parade in New York.





Many cities in America supported the hostages by hanging a new flag, 444 in all, every day the hostages were in captivity. Other symbols used by Americans to support the hostages were yellow ribbons and signs declaring "Pray for the Hostages."



Jan. 3: Ronald Reagan, hostages share triumph

The 52 hostages are once again on American soil. The long months of waiting and wondering are finally over.

On Nov. 4, 1979, under the American Presidency of Jimmy Carter, the U.S. Embassy in Teheran was seized by Iranian militants. The Ayatollah Khomeini had been brought out of exile by the militants to lead the country of Iran. U. S. Embassy personnel and guests were held hostage with demands for the return of the deposed Shah of Iran, Muhommed Pahlavi. The Shah had come to the United States for medical treatment of cancer.

With the exception of two women and one black man, all of the women and Negroes were released a short time after the take over. The rest of the Americans were held captive. Negotiations went on between Iran and the United States for several months, and the deposed Shah died after moving on to Panama. But this did nothing for the release of the hostages. Iranians demanded return of the Shah's assets.

The 52 hostages were finally released

after 444 days in captivity. It was the same day President Ronald Reagan was inaugurated, exactly two minutes after he took office. Some Americans say that it was the fear of Reagan's militant attitude that prompted the Iranians to release the hostages. Cindy Kestle, Sr., said, "Reagan was more of a threat to Iran than Carter was."

Diane Paterson, jr., added, "Iran was afraid that since Carter wasn't in the administration, they wouldn't get away with holding the hostages, anymore."

Not until the Americans were safe in West Germany did the U.S. learn of the torture and sufferings the hostages endured. Games of Russian Roulette were played with the hostages' lives, and guns were stuck in their backs and faces. One of the hostages was severely beaten three times for trying to escape, while yet another attempted suicide.

"I was really proud of the hostages. They really stuck it out. It seemed like they had confidence that we would get them out," commented Chris Melton, jr.



Inauguration day found President Ronald Reagan smiling. However, the smile was absent from his face after a murder attempt Mar. 30. He was hospitalized for almost two weeks. The alleged assassin is John W. Hinkley, Jr.

Some hostages donned yellow ribbons upon their release to show appreciation for the support of the American people. The Iranian crisis brought the country closer, as did the assassination attempt on President Reagan.

Seniors Rhea Spicer, Cassy Osborn and Anne Horvath dance at the After-Prom, which was held at Woodland Park. Many couples went home, got a few hours' rest, then traveled to Marriott's or Turkey Run where they spent the day.

Prom king and queen Rob Jones and Kresha Rohrer, srs., dance to the Prom's theme song, "We've Got Tonight." The king and queen were voted on during the lunch hours by all the people attending Prom.

Seniors Mark Baker and Scott Coker escort their dates, Julie Campbell and Tammy Bagley, jrs., into the Holidome where Prom was held. Pictures were taken by Photographs by Tim and could be purchased for a cost of \$12.



Magic, romantic night passes quickly

"It was a magic, romantic night, but the time passed too quickly for all the hours of preparation for Prom. I will remember it always and wish it could have never ended," said Chris Hansen, jr.

This year's junior-senior Prom, "We've Got Tonight", was the first of its kind. It was held on a Friday, May 8, instead of the traditional Saturday night. The festivities took place at the Holiday Inn Holidome in Merrillville, with After-Prom at Woodland Park. The success of Prom belongs to guidance counselor, Mr. Lowell Johnson, and his

committee of nine.

Money was a problem for some Prom goers. Inflation struck, and the cost of Prom went up. "My parents loaned me money for Prom. With the price of the tickets, tux rental, flowers and gas, I could never have afforded it. It was expensive, but for myself and Chris (Hansen), I would do it all over again," said Tom Barnes, jr.

Sophomores Mary Bengero added, "With all the costs associated with Prom, it added up to quite a lot of money, but it was worth it."

Mr. Johnson said, "Rental of the convention center was free, but a \$1,000 deposit had to be put down to cover the price of the food." The menu consisted of roast sirloin of beef, various vegetables and salads, beverages and desserts.

Although the prices went up, it was still something to be remembered. Lisa Cavarretta stated, "Prom is something I'll remember for the rest of my life." Julie Campbell concluded, "There were a lot of changes in Prom, but I thought it was a big success."



Rita Vasquez, sr., and Chris Kennedy, sr., take a brief rest from Prom activities to get to know one another better. Dinner, dancing and admission to After Prom at Woodland Park were the activities included in the price of the Prom tickets.

Judy Petrovich, soph., and Rick Lewis, jr., arrived at the After Prom in matching surgical suits. The fad was for some couples to come dressed alike in matching outfits or the same type of T-shirt. Others dressed to a western theme.

Prom Court — Front Row: Laura Peterson, Cassie Mahinoff, Queen Kresha Rohrer, Dorinda Campbell, and Darlene Alvarado. **Back Row:** Chuck Torrez, Mark Estelle, King Rob Jones, Mark Baker, and Scott Coker.

Do you know what happens on an average American day?

500 million cups of coffee are drunk.
80 million people hear music.
School children ride 12,720,000 miles on school buses.
3 million people go to the movies.
Amateurs take 19,178,000 snapshots.
679 million telephone conversations occur; 50 million long-distance calls are made.
The typical American spends two hours reading, counting signboards, labels and daily mail.
41 million people go to school.
Every person produces nearly six pounds of garbage.
\$10 million is spent on advertising.
21,000 gallons of oil are spilled from tankers and barges.
88 million people watch prime-time television.
63,288 cars crash.
2 billion \$1 bills are in circulation.
240 patents are issued.
28 mailmen are bitten by a dog.
10,930,000 cows are milked.
10,205 people give blood.
\$54,794 is spent to fight dandruff.
9,077 babies are born.
11,419,178 people take a bus and 3,943,000 take a subway, elevated or commuter train; another 147,671 ride a trolley.
176,810,950 eggs are laid.
10,000 people take their first airplane ride.
4,109 people parachute from airplanes.
Industry generates nearly one pound of hazardous waste for every person in America.
5,041 people reach age 65.



Average American

What is it that nobody wants to be, but at the same time everybody wonders about? An average American!

But what is average? Where does it start and where does it end? Is average 5' 6" with brown hair and blue eyes? Mike Feinsilber and William B. Mead wrote

a book entitled **American Averages** in which they expressed their views as to the meaning of "average."

Frank Kendig and Richard Hutton also wrote an article

on this subject for **Campus Life** magazine. The information on these two pages is drawn from these sources.

We knew it was 'high' school. Out of every 100 American seniors, 30 smoke tobacco every day, 9 smoke marijuana every day, and 6 drink every day.

Anybody listening? The average adult in America has an active vocabulary of 10,000 to 20,000 words that they will use and recognize in talking or writing, and 30,000 to 40,000 that they recognize when reading or listening. The average American child enters school knowing 3,000 words.

And why not? The average American enjoys reading about the average American.



In the school

Anybody want a lift? Portage High School has one elevator, which is used for people on crutches or transportation of media equipment.

You want whom? When calling someone on the school phone, you must first dial to one of the five lines that connect us with the outside world.

Only one more step! There are four stairwells that make up the eight flights of stairs used by the students.

In addition to these, there are nine other stairwells that lead to the auditorium and that are used by custodians.

How much do we owe you? The building of the new

Portage High School cost the taxpayers \$14.7 million, and an extra \$4 million was spent on equipment.

The answer to that question is . . . Portage High has a total of 91 classrooms out of a total 388 rooms in the school. The remaining 297 rooms are used for such purposes as restrooms and storage.

Trivia Quiz

1. An average running shoe lasts how long?
2. How many breaths does an average person take per minute?
3. What is the life expectancy of a football used by the pros?
4. How long of a line can an average hard pencil draw? What about a ball point pen?
5. How many radios does the average American family own?
6. The average person laughs how often per day?
7. The average person consumes how much candy per year?
8. How much skin does the average person have?
9. How many television commercials does an American child watch in one year?
10. How many American secretaries are male?
11. How many days per year is an average American sick?
12. Is a person more clever as a teenager or an adult?
13. What is the number of couples wed per day?
14. How many people buy a radio per day?
15. How long does a lightning bolt last?
16. How long will your record collection last?
17. How many items does an average supermarket stock?

Answers: turn book upside down

1. 100,000 miles
17. A supermarket stocks more than 11,000 items
3. Two or three days a playing life of around five hours. Home teams are required to provide 24 new balls during the game
4. Pencils draw a line more than 30 miles long or write up to 110,000 words
5. Six radios, including those in the family car
6. Fifteen times per day
7. About 100,000 times
8. The average person has about 2.2 square meters of skin
9. The average American child watches about 100 television commercials a year
10. About 100,000
11. About 100 days
12. People are at their cleverest when they are in their teens
13. 5,962 couples marry on an average day
14. 180,000 people buy a radio per day
15. About 1/100 of a second
16. About 1/100 of a second
17. A supermarket stocks more than 11,000 items

*Along with being the rehearsal pianist, senior Chuck Giley also played during the actual performance of **Gypsy**. The pit orchestra consisted of 33 members who spent more time practicing than the cast did.*

*On her 10th birthday, Louise received a lamb from her mother, Rose, and Rose's boyfriend Herbie. Brighitte Kincheloe, jr., captured her first major role as America's premier stripper, **Gypsy** Rose Lee.*



Backstage jitters soothed by exercises for stress

It was opening night, and everyone was nervous. Palms sweat, knees knocked and fingernails were bitten. Suddenly, the music filled the auditorium, and there was no turning back.

The cast members participated in exercises that helped them to calm their nerves. Melissa Ure, soph., said, "If anyone had never been backstage before, they would have thought we were crazy because of some of the things we did before we went on stage. It was really weird."

The cast spent many afternoons practicing the play. Rewards were acknowledged while working with the cast. Renee Darosky, soph., said, "Working on

Gypsy gave me a chance to meet people I probably never would have met."

Gypsy consisted of 18 different scenes. Technical director, Mr. Joe Stevens, said, "Eighteen different scenes demanded a lot of work. The sets were changed without the main curtain being pulled and had to be switched within 15 to 25 seconds." Stage Mgr. Jim Michalak, jr., was responsible to see that these changes took place right. Jim said the hardest part about being the stage manager was "getting people to listen."

Jennifer Smothermon, jr., commented, "The drama department is improving, and **Gypsy** is a true example of that improvement."



Feller

Uncle Icko	Terry Alvarado
George	Brian Herr
Balloon Girl	Kim Poshek
Baby Louise	Jenny Stiles
Rose	Lori Lynn
Baby June	Carol Shirey
Pop	Bob Milligan
Newsboys	Renee Darosky,
	Kim Poshek,
	Melissa Ure
Weber	Ron Wathern
Herbie	Tim Abbot
Louise	Peggy Adams
June	Dave Galardo
Tulsa	Scott Coker
Yonkers	Ken Vela
Angie	Mike Malone
L.A.	Brian Herr
Knngelein	Terry Alvarado
Mr. Goldstone	Jennifer Bistransky
Miss Cratchitt	Jenny Rocchi
Agnes	Carla Paglicci
Thelma	Suzie Hicks
Marjorie May	Dianna Alford
Edna	Barb Snyder
Dolores	Amber Hughes
Patsey	Terry Alvarado
Tessie Tura	Angie Faidherbe
Mazeppa	Rhea Spicer
Cigar	Ron Wathern
Electra	Cassy Osborn
Maid	Lynn Kwilasz
Cow	Brian Herr
	Cassy Osborn
	Rhea Spicer

Louise celebrates one of her 10th birthdays with the help of Rose, Baby June and the newsboys (seniors Mike Malone, Ken Vela and Scott Coker). To keep her girls little, Rose told them year after year that they were ten years old.

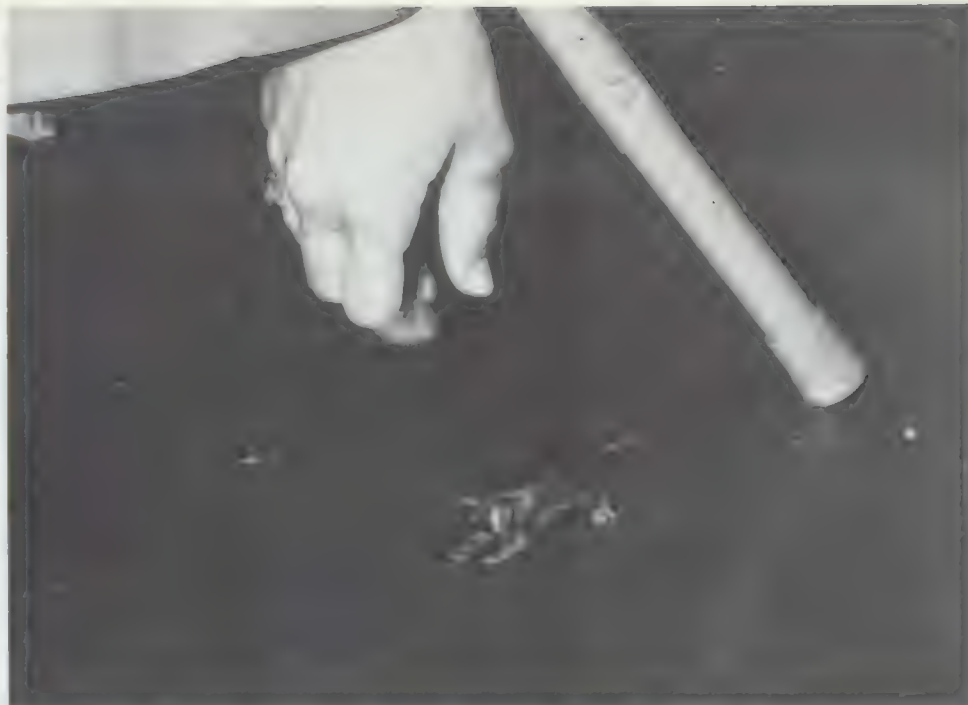
"My cow's so moo-sical . . ." sang June (Peggy Adams, sr.) Baby June sang "Farm Sequence" while dancing with her pet cow (seniors Cassy Osborn and Rhea Spicer), and sang "Let Me Entertain You" with the help of her newsboys.



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The students graduating with the Class of '81 were not the only ones to receive their freedom on the night of May 29. Also released were the mice that someone turned loose just before commencement started.

After receiving their diplomas, seniors Kent Moye and Barry Mills return to their assigned seats. More than five hundred students graduated, making the ceremony last an hour and ten minutes.



Seniors Carlo Paglicci and Dave Parker smile at the prospect of being out of school. Graduates have a wide variety of choices for their futures such as college, the service, trade school, a job, or marriage.

Waiting in anticipation for their diplomas, students to be graduated listened to the baccalaureate given by Father Mengeling and speeches by the Valedictorian Stellen Homme and Salutatorian Richard Koen.



Finally . . . Graduation

And now they are alumni . . . the class of '81.

Who would ever believe the day of graduation would come so soon? It seemed that only yesterday they were sophomores, staying away from upperclassmen who liked to hang "the little ones" in the trees of Jungle Hall.

The sophomore year was the first step towards the final goal, graduation. As the three years of high school passed, important steps toward that goal played a part in the school career. The triumph of getting a part in the school play, of scoring the winning point, of serving on Student Council, of being inducted into an honor club, the heartbreak of failing a test, of losing friends, of missing the Prom, of not making the team — all contributed to the growth of the senior class. They can look back bravely and with pride on the successfulness of their high school years.

Graduation is the highest point in this phase of life. One door is closed, but before it was closed all the way, another door was opened.

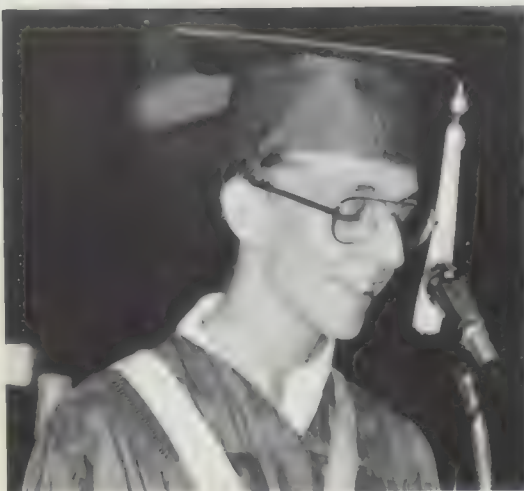
The class of '81 is gone, but not forgotten. They left memories of themselves behind. At commencement Mark Baker, senior class president, presented Mr. Rhode with a flag to be used as the school flag. This class was also the last one to attend the old high school. Gone, with this class, are the memories of Jungle Hall, leaky roofs, halls full of buckets, and classrooms that were always too hot or too cold. The graduating class also was one of the PHS classes to win all the awards during spirit week.

"I'm really proud of all the accomplishments of my class. During my last year, I saw our class working together for the good of the whole school. It made me feel good," commented Penny Morris.

Graduation is a big step in the life of seniors. One senior, Tom Thomasino, had mixed emotions about this event. "I was nervous and relieved all at the same time," he said. Mr. Robert Mullen, head counselor, added, "I think the graduates acted extremely well. They were real ladies and gentlemen."

Long live the class of '81.

With a smiling face, senior Tim Hickey checks to make sure that his diploma is signed. Several obstacles could keep a senior from receiving a signed diploma, such as failing a class or an unpaid debt.



Salutorian Richard Koen



Valedictorian Steffen Homme

Classes use community as learning aid

Hitting the books wasn't the whole story behind getting through school. Meeting and working with the community also played an important role in one's education. Courses interacting with the public provided an opportunity for students to contribute to the community, discover the services the city offers and explore different job opportunities.

Preparing students for their future and giving them a sample of various occupations in a practical working situation was the function of some courses. Cadet Teaching and Leadership allowed students to

experience teaching at the elementary level. "It gives them an opportunity, in a real situation, to be a teacher," said Mr. Ronald Hancock, Cadet Teaching instructor. Other courses which gave students a sample of future careers were the vocational classes and advanced business courses. Senior Lynn Kwilas described how Computer Education affected her future: "It improves skills I'll need in college."

Other classes gave students a chance to contribute to the community. The JROTC helped organize a skate-a-thon for the Heart Fund and rang bells at Christmas for

the Salvation Army. "Anytime any community group requests assistance, we provide it, which gives us a good relationship with the community," said Sgt. James Feeney.

By assigning homework and arranging field trips, teachers introduced students to the services provided by the community. The public library was heavily used for term papers and research work. Field trips to the courthouse, criminal courts and the national park allowed students to view both recreational and essential public services.

Seven schools participated in Portage's Student Council Leadership Conference. A series of workshops and discussion groups was designed for the schools, allowing them to exchange ideas on school government and possible solutions to school problems.



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Student Council member Chuck Torrez, sr., guides a parent to her next class during Back-to-School night. This event gave the parents a chance to view the school, meet the teachers and preview their children's classes.

During the regional Special Olympics bowling meet, Rita Vasquez, sr., improves her skill with her own style of bowling. "Just because I'm in a wheelchair, there's nothing I can't do, so I show everyone that I try everything once," Rita said.



Thompson



Doerge



Seniors Brian Herr, Melissa Dunning, Diane Lukasik and Lynn Kwilas take part in Honor Society's Quiz Bowl meet. Two teams, consisting of four players each, competed for points by answering questions drawn at random from different academic categories.

Sophomores Tonya Hale and Mike Replin look on while Charlet Morehouse, soph., takes advantage of the fall scenery. The trip to Indiana Dunes State Park was designed to allow the students to apply their photography skills in an outdoor setting.



Photo

Senior Dan Roach calculates figures in Econ class. Each student invested \$20,000 in the stock market and kept track for five days to see how much he made or lost. They were in groups of four to five people.

Writing notes taken from his Economics book is John Garcia, sr. Economics was a required course for seniors along with Government and English. Senior English could be substituted with some other class such as Journalism.



Gayle Young, sr. reads the *Chicago Tribune* to see how her stock investments fared during their study on the stock market. She was the highest in her class for that day to receive extra credit. The overall winner also received extra credit.



Selected seniors prefer option over Economics

Independent Study is a course in which a senior does independent research on a topic of his choice, pertaining to social studies. It is a one-semester course, for which five or six students are picked per semester.

This class may be taken in place of Economics, or it can be an extra elective. Mr. Dennis Bond, instructor, created the course in January, 1969. He said students are expected to do research outside the PHS media center. "I thought I would learn more here than in Econ. Here, I can study

what I want; there, I have Econ, that's all," said Brian Herr, sr. Those picked for the course "demonstrated pretty good grades, and their verbal scores are high. What the course does involve is a great deal of self-discipline," said Mr. Bond.

Students have a mid-semester review to see what progress they have made. Senior Rhea Spicer said, "I felt that it would better prepare me for college." At the end of the semester a paper is due. The minimum paper is 20 pages long, though it really depends upon the quality of the work. The final exam is a seminar with Mr. Bond and one other faculty member in which they talk about the paper that has been written. If the paper is above C work, the teachers sign it and date it.

Oren Cooley, sr., said, "I took Independent Study to gain the experience of writing a term paper while carrying a heavy schedule."

Seniors Melissa Dunning and Rhea Spicer research materials from the media center.

Research on an independent study topic was done throughout the semester until adequate information was accumulated for a report.



Senior Mike McWhirter play a drunken janitor in a robbery case. The lawyer was Brian Sutherland, jr., and the judge was Tami Heatherly, sr. Law classes were involved in trials to learn about the reality of a court case.

Taking notes on his study guide for US History is Dave Stanley, jr. Mrs. Marlene Lane's classes were required to complete a study guide for each chapter. Study guides aided students with quizzes and tests



'Words' helps build student vocabulary

"Words, Words, Words" was an optional course that could be taken in place of a senior English class.

This class involved an intense study of words through memorization. Students also had the chance to practice for the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test and the Scholastic Aptitude Test. Chris Steward, sr., said he took the class, "to help me out with my SAT test." Students also used "How to take SAT" textbooks. Learning was mixed with fun as students played word games such as

Scrabble, Probe, and Password.

Students received two 25-word lists per week and were tested on them at the end of the week. According to Mrs. Arlene Neill, the results on the tests were very good. Mrs. Neill got the weekly word lists from the students' workbook, which is called **Vocabulary Builder**. A dictionary was essential for looking up definitions.

Senior Nancy Perri said the elective English class, "helped me learn about all the words and helped me get a better

vocabulary."

"I find the students eager to learn, and I also find 'Words' a challenge and interesting to me. The combination makes for an interesting class," added Mrs. Neill.

Some students took this class to improve their vocabulary because they were college bound. Tami Heatherly, sr., said, "I took 'Words, Words, Words' because I want to build my vocabulary and because my counselor said it was a good class."

Angela Dyer, jr., and Wendy Macheta, soph., study together on their workbook assignments. Rather than working individually, some sophomore English classes were able to separate into small groups for certain assignments.

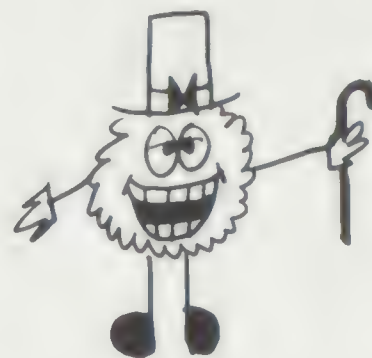
Donna Bachar, soph., listens carefully to Mr. John Alexander as he points out parts of her assignment. Sophomore English classes were required to read short stories, and they also wrote compositions.

Sophomore Mike Long delivers his speech to his discussion class. Students usually were not allowed to read their speeches; instead, they used index cards for their notes. The class also had group discussions.



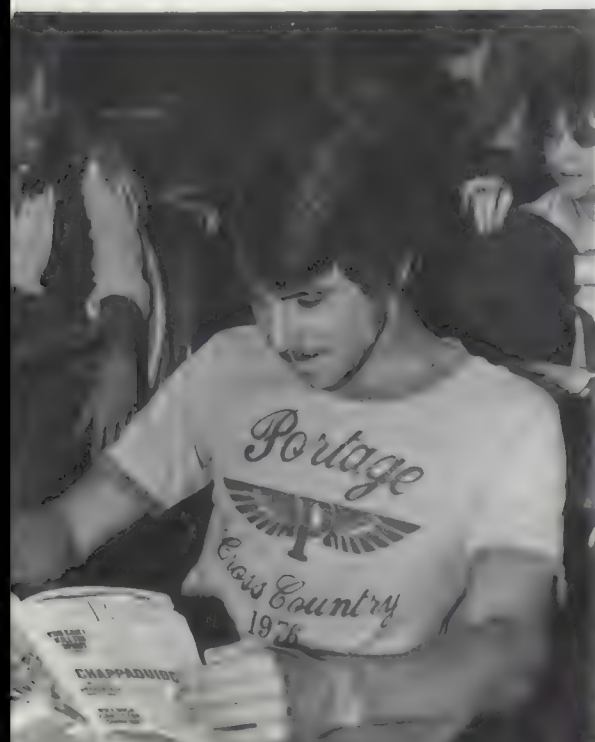


BEFORE ENTERING
AN IMPORTANT
SPEECH MAY BE
IN PROGRESS!!



thank
you.

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Don't barge in. That was the point of the sign on Mrs. Dorothy Kurtz's door. It was important not to interrupt students giving speeches because they could lose their train of thought. The sign was designed by Jamie Poshek.

Sophomore Ken Krodswyk raises his hand to answer a question in his English class. Most students were not too eager to raise their hands, but did so because they realized that class participation might be a part of their grade.

Dan Newton, sr., spends his extra time reading an article from **Reader's Digest**. Teachers encouraged students to read books or magazines on their own. Some teachers also included free reading time in their class schedule.

Humor provides variety in required health class

Finding that phalanges and metatarsals are parts of the body and listening to daily jokes told by Mr. Arol Amling were quite familiar to most students at one time or another.

The state made the requirements for a health class and also requested that cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) be taught. Mr. Amling, health teacher, stated, "I think it is important for students to know something about their body and its functions. They should understand their body and appreciate it by eating right, getting enough exercise and avoiding certain health hazards."

The physiological and physical aspects of health were stressed, with an emphasis on drug, alcohol and tobacco abuse. Mr. Lester Klein, health teacher, added, "Primarily, I stressed the cardinal principles of good health, which are diet, rest and exercise. That's what maintaining health is all about. It is difficult to obtain any goal without good health."

Many teaching aids, such as filmstrips, movies, skeletons and guest speakers, were used. John Newcom, jr., explained, "The films in health class help students to

learn because many students would rather listen to and watch a movie than listen to a teacher."

Among the guests were Mr. Charles Heimberg, Portage police public relations officer, Mrs. Rachel Amling, nutrition speaker, Mr. Edmund Dybel, a patient whose vocal cords were cancerous and had to be removed due to excessive smoking, and parents or friends of some students. Mr. Amling mentioned that having elective courses that fit in with health, and the careers it involves, is a possibility for the future.

Because health is a required course and its benefits are not always evident right away, students tend to be less interested. One of the more memorable aspects of health for those who had Mr. Amling was the daily jokes. Kim Costley, jr., added, "Health was interesting and rather easy. It was also entertaining when I learned new jokes." Mr. Amling told jokes to "Keep students on their toes and laert. Maybe they don't always laugh, but it gets their attention and keeps them waiting for another joke."

Taking deadly aim. Tim Lutz, soph., throws a battleball at a human target. Battleball was banned from most PHS gym classes because of three injuries in one day. Consequently, battleball was played only in a specified class.

Laura Metros, soph., completes an assignment in her third hour health class. Graduation requirements included a semester of health. This rule could be bypassed by taking four home economics courses including family health.



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Tony Milevsky, sr., concentrates on correct form in Intermediate Gymnastics. Students were required to sharpen skills such as rear vaults to 'L' mounts, shoulder stands and twisting dismounts. The skills were then pieced together in routines.



Mr. Les Klein explains, to his third hour class the ergometer, an apparatus for measuring the amount of work done by a group of muscles under controlled conditions. Mr. Klein also stressed the importance of proper diet, rest and exercise.



Listening carefully, students follow Mr. Bill Wilke's instructions during warm-ups. Students chose their nine-week PE classes according to a rotating alphabet that let a different initial have first choice each semester.

'L'Homme qui sait deux langues en vaut deux'

"The person who knows two languages is worth two people" and "toujours mieux" (ever better) are the mottos of the French Honor Society (FHS). However, these mottos can relate to any foreign language student. "They are fitting in that each foreign language student expands himself, his mind, and his culture by taking on another language and thus exceeds the average person," Doreen Morlock, jr., remarked.

FHS is an organization which honors academic success not only in French, but also in a student's entire academic curriculum. It encourages French students to be above average in all their work by making the requirements for membership rather strict. Beth Getty, jr., FHS president, commented, "I feel that the requirements are tough, but it should be that way. If a person works very hard to accomplish the satisfaction of exceptional grades, he or she should be recognized."

To become a member, a student must have an A- in French in the semester he is to be inducted; he must have an A-average for the three previous semesters of French; and he must also carry a B-average in other classes. In addition, the student, unless he is a graduating

senior, must be continuing with French the following year.

The French Honor Society took on some new activities. For example, the film **Murder by Death** was shown in early winter and a tutorial program was instituted to aid beginning French students. Kathy Owens, soph., added, "I think the tutor program is really good. It helped me a lot and gave me some good study habits. I'm really glad they have it."

Because of the small number of members in the society, many activities could not be carried out. Consequently, plans for the revival of the French Club were mentioned for the following year. The society would then be able to concentrate on academic concerns, while the French Club would expand the club's extracurricular activities. This plan would enable any French student interested in being active to be a participant in a French organization.

Mr. David Masty, sponsor, emphasized, "The most important things the Société Honoraire de Français (FHS) does is to acknowledge the academic achievement of outstanding students, not only to honor them, but also to encourage them to continue to make the effort to excel."



The masto



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French Honor Society — Front Row: Tim Fitzjerald, Angela Markos, Elizabeth Wallin, Terri Whitten, Beth Getty. **Row 2:** Gary Beasley, Reta Maish, Barb Woolcott, Melissa Dunning, Diane Lukasik, Ruth Maish, Mike Koveck. **Row 3:** Greg Beasley, Jeanette Fischer, Laura Holok, Oren Cooley, Brian Herr, Carolyn Smith. **Back Row:** Mr. David Masty, Mrs. Sue McPherson, Mr. James Weber.

Spanish Club — Front Row: Celeste Ason, Dana Skovira, Kathy Sims, Debbie Boyer. **Row 2:** Ismael Santos, Kim Gleason, Sandy Burger, Barb Smeltzer, Nickie Poffinbarger. **Back Row:** Kelly Andresen, Raunda Fisher, Lisa Gaddis, Diana Erickson, Julie Hagan, Rich Gilmore, Mrs. Sandra Zeller.



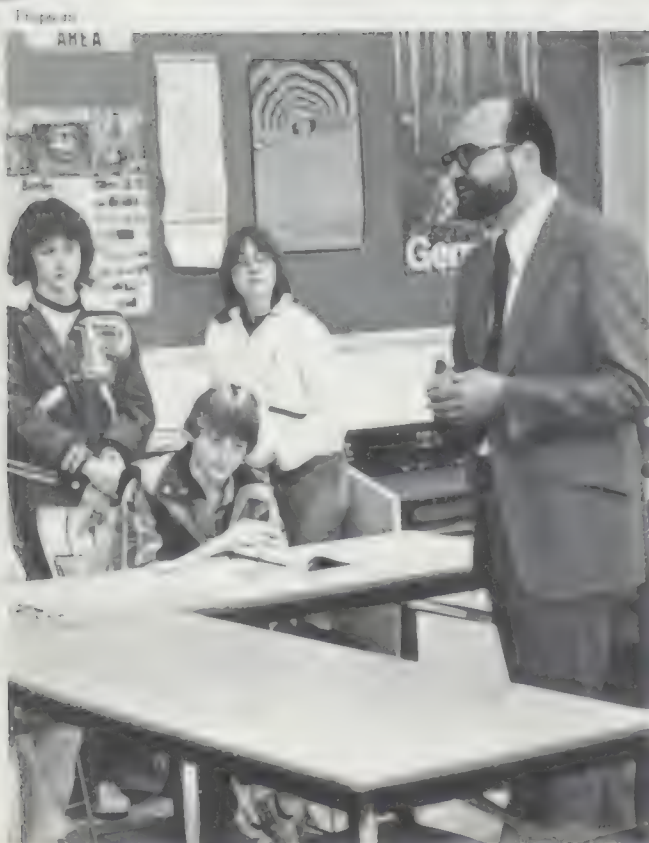
Rogers

Brian Herr, sr., sells a ticket to **Denise Thomas, jr.,** for the movie **Murder by Death** sponsored by the French Honor Society. Although it was not a financial success, it initiated the idea for future movie nights at the high school.



During the trip to Mexico, students visited the pyramids of Teotihuacan, where the pyramids of the sun and moon are also located. The pyramids are located near Mexico City. Here, a tour guide explains the Aztec-built pyramid.

Foreign language classes often involve extra homework, time and effort. Completing some of that homework, Sheryl Stanley, sr., finds French IV, an honors course, one of those time-consuming classes.



During a field trip to Chicago, German students went to the Goethe Institute to view German posters and also ate at a German restaurant. Lynn Giley, Bob Burke and Chris Melton, jrs., listen to an explanation of the posters and the institute.

Leadership class plays while gaining experience

Leadership was a course which gave students a background in teaching and helped them learn to deal with children.

Miss Bernita Adkins, instructor, selected the class. Any student could sign up; applicants then were screened by their grades, character, attendance and leadership. An equal number of boys and girls was picked.

During the first semester, students learned to work with elementary children. They taught children basic games through simple movements and rhythm. They taught indoors or outdoors, depending on the weather. The course also dealt with the physical and emotional needs of children. Organization and class discipline were emphasized, as well. "I feel I have learned more in Leadership than any other class," said Scott Bacon, jr.

Lesson plans for the regular Tuesday trip to Kyle Elementary School to teach kindergarten, first, or second grade were made in advance. Miss Adkins said that at first most students were shy, but, after they were used to teaching, they

received a great deal of satisfaction from working with the youngsters. Senior Paula Papich said her favorite part of the class was "going to Kyle and seeing the kids having fun."

"It's a class made up of mature people that enjoy what they're doing and they're there because they want to be, not because they have to. The class is the high point of my day," said Miss Adkins.

On May 6 and 7, fifth graders from Paul Saylor Elementary School attended a two-day camp. This outing was possible because of the study of camp counseling done by the Leadership class during the second semester. They planned nature hikes, crafts, menus, and even awards for the children.

Jay White, sr., said he took the class because, "I'm thinking about a career in teaching and/or coaching."

Senior Dan Newton imitates a football. In Leadership students learned many different games, for which they had to keep a note card file. The records became useful when they had to instruct elementary students.



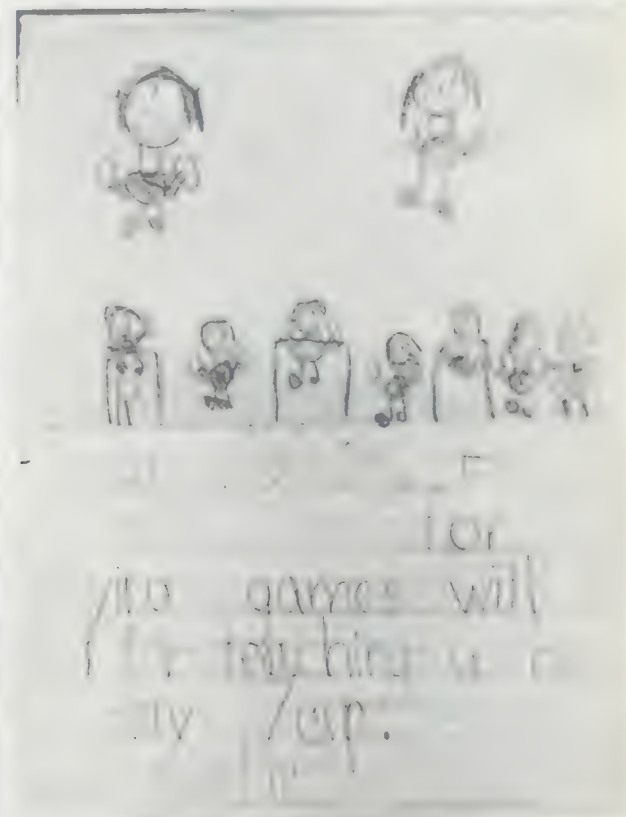
Cheryl Alvarez, sr., pretends she's a doll in her Leadership class. Students drew from a hat different names of toys, which they then had to act out. Such games were played before the Christmas holidays.



Junior Joni Sappington looks on while an elementary student enjoys her "goodies" during the Halloween party. Some cadet teachers wore costumes for the occasion. Joni was one of them, and she chose to dress up as someone that makes people laugh.



Kindergarten students from Paul Saylor Elementary School get assistance with their coloring from Tracey Weaver, sr. Helping children one-on-one was one of the opportunities cadet teachers had while "on the job".



First graders at Kyle Elementary School wrote letters and drew pictures for their student teachers from PHS. This letter was from one of senior Paula Papich's elementary students who wanted to show appreciation.

Junior Chris Hansen cuts the first piece of the anniversary cake while other JROTC members watch. The annual Birthday Ball, which was Nov. 10, was in the PHS cafeteria in honor of the Marine Corps.

Sophomore Richard Mauch, Lewis Stutler, jr., Rob Hendrix, soph., and Mark Allen, jr., are all members of the color guard. They are standing at attention during the beginning of a home basketball game.



Receiving a paperweight from the members of the JROTC is Sgt. James Feeney. The present was given during the Birthday Ball at which the members showed Sgt. Feeney their appreciation for all he has done for them.



Lisa Tidwell, soph., gets congratulated by Lt. Col. Denver Dale for her promotion to Private First Class at the Birthday Ball. A number of JROTC members were promoted to higher ranks as a result of past performance.



JROTC celebrates ball; PVE learns job aptitude

The Pre-Vocational Education Program (PVE) was designed as an alternative program for exceptional students. The classes are centered around basic job training so that the students can get and keep a job after graduation from PHS.

The students' interest was kept by doing various projects. Tom Peverelle, jr., said, "I like working on the job box because it shows you a trade and it's very educational." The job box contained information about various trades and careers for the students.

Students also read out of a textbook and answered questions at the end of the chapters. "Doing assignments out of the textbook is my favorite part of the class," said Jim Goffiney, jr. Lynette Nelson, jr., said she liked doing taxes because

when she gets out PHS she'll know how to do them.

Although PVE students had special classes, they also had the choice of taking regular classes. They must also meet state graduation requirements. In addition, PVE students could attend all school activities, join clubs and try out for sports.

Mrs. Gail Trobaugh worked with job placement and follow-up half of the day and individual counseling and scheduling the other half. It was her sixth year of working in this program. She said, "I like the kids. It's what I always wanted to do." Other teachers involved with the program were Miss Renee McGaffic, Mr. Rob Prellwitz and Miss Lisa Stiegman.



Rita Vasquez, sr., measures the blackboard in her math class. Students did different types of assignments which centered around various professions of their choice. Students also learned the importance of getting and keeping a job.



The main:

Working on an assignment is Dan Milakovich, soph. PVE suggests two years of math in grades 10 and 11. Science is not offered in the PVE department, but the science credit is usually earned during ninth grade.



Senior Marcia Eaton gets advice on her assignment from Miss Renee McGaffic. Students covered routine academic topics. They also participated in more casual projects such as making ornaments and mobiles for Christmas.

PHS pupils prepare for profession

"It's almost like getting paid to go to school," said senior Joyann Stoner about the Interdisciplinary Cooperative Education program. ICE allowed students to receive eight credits and a paycheck for working half day and attending a related first hour class taught by Mr. Dean Shatz, vocational director.

The class dealt with such things as job attitudes, the legal aspects of jobs, getting along with and responding to supervision, and individual problems students had with their jobs.

Keston Hasemann, sr., said that he liked the class and would like to see a similar one for students not in the ICE program. He said the class is "really beneficial for your future life."

The students received report cards at the end of each grading period. Two-thirds of the grade was based on a rating report filled out by the employer, and the rest was made up of a grade on the daily class.

To take the course, a person had to be a senior, have transportation to the job and, according to Mr. Shatz, have a desire to work.

ICE has replaced the old work programs which served only students with career goals in industrial, manufacturing, or marketing and distributive fields. Now, students with career goals as varied as agriculture and office work can be involved in the ICE program.

Tom Felter, sr., said that being in the program helped him show his boss that he not only had to be there, but wanted to be there.

Another student in the program, Paul Ziulkowski, said, "It's good because it prepares (you) for a job in (the) employer's eyes."

According to Guidance Counselor Marjorie Herren, "The advantage of it is that the student does have some connection with the school and work both. It helps them make the bridge between school and work."

Students receive help from Mr. Shatz involving job problems which sometimes helps them keep their jobs, Mrs. Herren concluded.

Carrying groceries out to a customer's car is Dan Borza, sr. Dan was involved in the job work program and was employed at Candiano's Super Market. Taking out the groceries was one of his many jobs.



Kris Minjock, sr., dries a poodle at her place of employment, which is the Pet Haven Pet Shop on Highway 6. Kris used a leash to control the dogs while drying them. She admitted, though, that it was easier to control the puppies.



Thomasino



Senior Jim Thompson takes inventory in the school supplies section of Ribordy Drugs. Taking inventory was usually done during January. Deanne Dunn, sr., also worked at Ribordy Drugs and was involved in the job work program.



Debbie Boyer, sr., processes a letter on a new automatic typewriter with memory. She typed the letter, checked for errors, corrected them on the memory, then had the word processing machine retype the corrected letter.

Dorinda Campbell, sr., takes shorthand from a voice transcriber in Related Office Skills. In an actual office situation, her boss would dictate letters on the machine at his convenience. She then would process the letter from the machine.

Lynne Salerno, sr., calculates a problem on an adding machine. Many jobs pertaining to basic secretarial skills were covered in Related Office Skills. Typing I was a prerequisite for this class.



Adv. shorthand expanded to allow for improvement

"At first I thought it might be tiring, but now I enjoy the class and next year I'm taking it again," Melanie Goin, jr., explained. Responses quite similar to this were common in Advanced Shorthand.

Advanced Shorthand, an honors course, was lengthened to a two-hour class, which at first caused slight apprehension among pupils. The two-hour course also created some conflicts in scheduling, causing a slight decrease in class size. Mrs. Mae Dolezal, business department head stated, "One hour daily is not sufficient time to provide a finishing course in shorthand. Many students recommended the change to two hours, and I was delighted."

The class was divided into two separate units. The first hour consisted of intensive speed building, while the second covered transcribing tests, letters, and special activities such as: taking Civil Service tests, doing special office units, preparing a dossier for employment, and taking dictation from teachers for letters.

Building on basics taught in Beginning Shorthand; Advanced refined one's skill. Amy Krulik, sr., commented, "In Beginning Shorthand, you strictly learn brief forms and different outlines with an introduction to dictation, whereas Advanced Shorthand involves speed building and transcription."

Advanced Shorthand involved a minimum of homework. Intensive practice in class

was accented, as well as constant pressure to build speed, 95 per cent accuracy and individual progress. In building and perfecting these skills, students will be prepared to handle practically any entry level for most office positions on the market. Mrs. Dolezal added, "Their (students') shorthand skills compare very favorably with those of any applicant for secretarial positions. Also, students find that their background is excellent. We (Portage) have one of the largest business departments in the state, as well as one of the largest shorthand enrollments."

Speakers from the business world talked to the class. Andrea Ogden, sr., stated, "The guest speakers help you find out what is expected of you in a certain job and the qualifications needed." They helped form a link between what was done in class and what will be done in the business world. They discussed topics such as absenteeism, attitude, skills and grooming. These visitors provided students with information that made classroom instruction relevant.

Besides providing an excellent background in skills, Mrs. Dolezal concluded, "If I could use only one word to tell you what we're trying to teach our students, it would be *responsibility* — responsibility for one's own destiny."



Vigorously typing, Mike Heatherly, soph., rushes to complete an assignment. Typing I taught mastery of the keyboard, ability to accurately write business and personal letters, and basic grammar and punctuation skills.

News Bureau brings out positive news

"Drug-crazed teenagers — that's what I suspect many members of the community would expect to find throughout the halls of PHS. It's News Bureau's job to point out the many positive things that the vast majority of the students do," Mrs. Debra Heitmann, News Bureau Adviser, explained.

Oren Cooley, sr., and Jill Fleming and Rhonda Clift, jrs., each wrote about two stories a week. Other volunteers also wrote for News Bureau. Oren mentioned, "Because of our shortage of staff members, we have had to rely on **Pow Wow** staff members, Beginning Journalism students and even a photographer."

About 90 per cent of the PHS news and feature stories sent out by News Bureau were published. Copies of these stories were sent to area newspapers and radio stations.

Ideas for stories came from such sources as Beginning Journalism news beat tips, staff ideas and Mrs. Shindeldecker's school calendar. Rhonda commented, "I think it's fun at times. Sometimes it gets really frustrating, especially when meeting a deadline." According to Oren, News Bureau staff members must be flexible and have a drive to stick with it. They cannot be easily discouraged, he added.

Jill said she took the class because, "I wanted to be in something that wasn't familiar to people, but worthwhile." Oren also added, "Writing for News Bureau gives a reporter the inner satisfaction of knowing that he has been given the chance to do his best, to demonstrate his dedication and to be judged by the professional media."

Saga, PHS literary magazine, was written and prepared entirely by PHS students. *Saga* has

Saga





Saga — Front Row: Carol Shirey, Dianne Wallace, Janet Mergl, Jaquita Roy, Judy Kuehn, Lynn Pappas, Miss Shirley Spielman, Brenda Petruch. **Row 2:** Tracy Dobis, Darla Keleman, Kim Petersen, Gayla Fox, Chris Czazasty, Kathy Sims, Lynn Kwilas, Dana Brown, Lora White. **Back Row:** Tim Hickey, Joe Pilla, Joe Manna, Tony Pilla, Keith Neyhart, Howard Gauger, John Swaney, Mike Reid.

News Bureau members are shown in the photo above.

*The preparation of the **Saga** involved a great deal of creativity in order to produce an original quality publication. Dana Brown, Tim Hickey, and Joe Manna, srs., examine previous **Sagas** to avoid repeating previous ideas.*



Simone



Work



Beginning Journalism, a pre-requisite for most publication staff positions, included units on copy editing, headline writing, and news report writing. After preparing a mock **Pow Wow** front page, Sarah Pyke and Karacinda Roe, sophs., grade peers' work.

Writing and reporting for area newspapers and radio stations, the members of **News Bureau** present. Rhonda Clift and Jill Fleming, srs., make a few.



Legend — Front Row: Barb Woolcott, Leslie Wilson, Sandy Hunt, Debbie Wetklow, Jeanine David, Pam Wayne. **Row 2:** Laura Holok, Kim Cherepko, Barb Brooks, Bob Milligan, Jim Colley, Theresa Jones, Janice Peters. **Row 3:** Brian McMullen, Debbie Boyer, Carol Riddle, Penny Morris, Mark Dye, Dave Henry. **Back Row:** Mrs. Debra Heitmann, Mr. David Surico, student teacher.

Photographers — Front Row: Barb Woolcott, Tom Thomasino. **Row 2:** Eric Monroe, Jim Smith, Tom Felter. **Back Row:** Mark Bollinger, John Rogers, John Doege.

Pow Wow — Front Row: Anna Hix, Jeff Emmons, Joni Sappington. **Row 2:** Dave Malone, Greg Smith, Tom Andrey, Debbie Boyer. **Back Row:** Tammy Luwpas, Tom Felter, Dana Skovira.



Rushing to complete assignments and to meet deadlines was often a frustrating job. Covering the latest news, Dave Malone, sr., and Tammy Luwpas, jr., work on articles for an issue of **Pow Wow**.



Foster

Publications staff judged by their peers

Capturing a sharp, clear picture, keeping up with the latest news, and covering the most interesting activities, were jobs of the publications staff. In the end, their work was displayed and then judged by some critical viewers — students. Mrs. Debra Heitmann, publications adviser, commented, "Generally, students are much harder on their peers than teachers are."

Barb Brooks, jr., mentioned, "It's not hard to do a good job if you try, but you can't ever really reach perfection because you can always do better." The publications student, like any other student, was likely to make errors

in his work. Yet, unlike other students', his work was printed for public view as a piece of news, a picture of the past, or a book of memories that would serve as a permanent record for the students to criticize, praise, shun or cherish. John Rogers, sr., added, "It's great when the work you do is good, but, once a mistake is made, it seems to stick out like a sore thumb. That can be embarrassing."

Because the product was for the school, it had to please a vast majority of students or else it was a failure. Athletes made mistakes and students stumbled while giving speeches, yet after the next point scored or speech given, their errors were usually forgotten by

their peers. Once the staffs' work was completed, it served as a permanent record, errors and all, to be looked at and remembered for a number of years. Sue Sudduth, jr., stated, "Publications requires more work and time. Also, your work is printed and you are under criticism at all times." In those respects, the publication staffs differed from any other organization in the school.

***Legend staff** must wait through the entire summer, after their work is done, to see their finished product. The yearbook is delivered during the first week of the following school year. Tonia Eagen, sr., picks up the book from her junior year.*



Tammy Riggins, jr. stirs the blueberry jam that was made in sixth hour foods class. Many kinds of quick bread were made in Foods I, and vegetable cooking was also studied. The four food groups were also given class time.



Monroe



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Sophomores Julie Carney and Karen Petersen compare unit prices in consumer ed class, a division of the home ec department. They recorded information from name brand foods as well as the generic substitutes.

Mrs. Sharron Rose measures a pattern in Clothing class while Angela Knight, jr., looks on. Students had to purchase their own patterns according to what they wanted to make. They could choose from a variety of items such as vests, skirts and blazers.



Feller

Home Ec gives useful experience

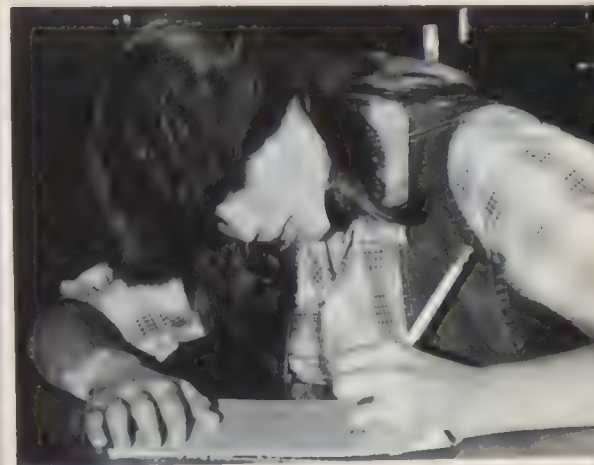
Home economics was taken mainly to learn procedures that will be used in everyday life. "Basically, we hope students take this (home economics) up for practical knowledge of running a household and picking up new techniques," emphasized Mrs. Sharron Rose. She also said it gives students a broader knowledge and opens them up to many career ideas.

Clothing and Food classes were only two types of home ec courses from which to choose. Darla Smith, jr., took a foods class so that "when I live on my own, I will be more experienced in cooking." Desi Howard, jr., added, "I want to learn the masters of cooking."

Three food and nutrition classes were offered. In Foods 1, students studied food organization; in Foods 2, meal management and shopping practices were covered; and in Foods 3, food preserving, international foods, and cake decorating were studied. Foods 1 and 2 were pre-requisites for Foods 3. Basic nutrition study was carried out throughout all three levels. Mrs. Louise Blaney said in home ec, students "learn to be aware of their capabilities."

In clothing and textiles there were also three levels. Skirts, pants, and vests were made in Clothing 1. In Clothing 2 students made blazers, blouses and dresses. The art of tailoring was emphasized in Clothing 3.

Basting her waxed fabric, Penny Walker stretches her material for garment construction. Tailoring was the most advanced clothing class. It was an optional class along with the other home ec classes and it lasted two semesters.



Rogers

Paula Berry, soph., completes a written assignment in her Foods class. Besides lab work, home ec students also had bookwork and tests. Most students said that they would rather be in lab, either sewing or cooking, than doing bookwork.



Junior Don Deern works on his design during Drafting class. Each student was required to plan a garage as an assignment. Rulers were an essential tool and had to be supplied by the students.

Hand drilling his wood, Dan Goodman, jr., works on his Woodshop project. The students often used manual tools but were also taught the operation of electrical equipment such as planers and tablesaws.



Thomas



Thomas

Electricity sparks student enthusiasm

What did the burglar alarms, fish callers, TV scramblers and "whooper sirens" have to do with school? They were some of the project kits students worked on near the end of Mr. Bob Beigh's Electricity class. This class met for one semester. Its purpose was to give students a basic understanding of electricity.

"Anybody, or I should say everybody, could benefit from that one-semester class. I would recommend it to everybody, even girls; especially girls," said Mr. Robert Mullen, head counselor. He added that it was good to have at least enough knowledge of electricity to know what happens when a light switch is flipped on.

Mr. Beigh said he found girls usually outdid the average boy in electronics, and there "should be more girls that sign

up for it." Most of the class time was spent doing labs. Students learned about currents, hook-up of circuits, and other basic information.

About 25 per cent of the students who took Electricity then signed up for the year course in Electronics.

The course was different from the one which was offered at the old high school. The new facility is better than the old, and there was about ten times more chance for the students to get involved. This class would "give you a head start on the rest of the class" if you go into electronics in college, Mr. Beigh said.

Students who did not want to take the electronics course at PHS could take a vocational course at Valparaiso High School or Technical Institute. Students

who wanted to take three years of electronics, but were not interested in the vocational courses, could take a "special problems course" to learn more about the electronics field. These students met with Mr. Beigh one hour per day.

Some students were interested in other Industrial Shop classes such as Woodshop and Drafting. Cliff Hayes, soph., said he took Woodshop "so I can take building trades next year."

Frank Dees, soph., said that he took it because he "likes making things out of wood."

***Sophomore** Jerry Woolridge works on a lawnmower engine in his Power Mechanics class. Working on engines was one of the main projects of the class. Although the course can be co-ed, the entire class consisted of boys.*



***Gordon Campbell, jr.,** hammers a nail into a piece of wood. The class mainly focused on making wood products such as tables or shelves. Students helped each other with many of their projects.*



Art materials recycled because of rising costs

Inflation hit the art department, forcing some students to be more selective about the courses they chose. Although much was done to keep expenses down, some of the tabs for individual projects still had to be covered by the students.

The key to art may have been creativity, but it also involved some extra cash. Depending on what art class was taken, costs ranged from \$1 to \$20 or more. Many things were done to help keep costs down. For instance, the teachers looked for free supplies and donations, and they also shopped around to find the cheapest prices on art supplies. Many materials were recycled or salvaged from unfinished products. Scrap materials from industries were used, as well as things from home and generic products. Even with the use of such items and the spending of all the money the budget allowed, it was not enough to cover all the costs, and the art students had to pick up the additional costs. Mrs. Jane Stammel, art teacher, stated, "I wish we didn't have to ask students to buy their own art materials. We do try to make it so any student

who wants to take art can, without putting out an outrageous amount of money."

Although taking art was expensive, students still showed a great interest for it. Many students took art as a release from a heavy academic schedule, some had a genuine interest and talent for art, and still others took it as an easy grade or credit. Andrea Bencze, jr., remarked, "I took art because I wanted to learn more about the different courses given here." Beth Lucas, jr., explained, "I'm interested in art as a career because it has so many individual opportunities for careers and I find it interesting."

For those with a genuine interest in art as a career, the program was wide enough and big enough to prepare one for college. Mrs. Paula Wiese, art teacher, stated a basic theory for her method of teaching art: "We want to teach art fundamentals through problem solving. When an art project is given, we explain what we want accomplished and, through a medium, students try to solve the problems."

Senior Juli Hudgins prepares a batik, which is the process of applying dyes and waxes to fabric. The process starts with waxing out the white areas of design. In this step Juli dyes the fabric in a dye tub.

Oil painting was one type of two dimensional art that was created in Drawing and Painting class. Senior Tim Vandergriff adds some detail to his project. Other approaches included using acrylics, pencil and India ink.



Smith



Thomasino



Thomasino

Brett Risher, soph., weaves a basket during Art Workshop. A variety of projects, such as enameling, clay and macrame, was covered in Art Workshop. The class was open to all students who had previously taken Art Foundations.

Bret Pete, jr., creates an artistic design in Commercial Arts class. The main purpose of the class was to help one create any product suitable for public sales. The class designed record album covers and silk screened t-shirts.



Feller



Donna Bullins, sr., waxes out a color on a batik by painting a clear hot wax on the fabric. After the fabric is waxed, it sits in the dye for 20 minutes. Next, it is rinsed in cool water and, then, laid out to dry.

Thomasino



Jim Tylka, sr., prepares to set type in Vocational Printing. The three-hour class provided instruction in photo-typesetting, camera operation, bindery operation and printing job estimates. The course also involved the use of offset and letter presses.

Mike Giese and **Larry Vaughan, srs.**, insert the drive shaft into a diesel engine. Vocational Diesel Mechanics developed skills demanded by the diesel industry for entry at the apprentice level. Power Mechanics was recommended as a pre-requisite.



Rogers

Vocational dept. draws area pupils

"Basically, Portage is the only school corporation in the county to have Vocational Education programs such as Computer Education and Diesel Mechanics," commented Mr. Dean Shatz.

Students had an option to take one of 11 or 12 vocational programs. Many students commuted to Portage to take advantage of these programs. The Computer Education class included two Chesterton students and three Valparaiso students. There were also three Valpo students and one Chesterton student in Diesel Mechanics. Many requests to take the courses also came from Lake County.

Portage housed the most up-to-date equipment available, such as machinery used on the new Chrysler K-Cars. By taking advantage of these programs, students acquired a head start in their vocational careers. Ken Nush, sr., explained, "It's a good program because it helps you to see what you need to do in a job. You learn the basic skills of different trades." Mike Sheriff, sr., added, "I like it because our teacher is a pretty fair guy and runs the program like a regular job."

Portage students also took advantage of courses at other schools. Many people took architectural drawing at Valparaiso High School and electronics at Valparaiso Technical Institute. Students also attended beauty school and health occupation courses.

Plans have been made to get a larger printing press for the printing class, which will enable them to print the **Pow Wow**. In addition, changes have been made, which, after the fall of 1982, will require all ninth graders to take a nine-week course in Computer Literacy. Jim Huk, jr., stated, "I don't think they should require Computer Literacy because many students aren't interested in it. Yet, it could be helpful as the age of computers approaches."

Hooking up mechanical equipment, Mike Sheriff, sr., gives a tune-up in Vocational Auto Mechanics. The course included the basic workings of an automobile, using both textbooks and practical experience as background.

Dyke O'Quinn, sr., types in a program on a computer terminal. Computer Education was offered to students who had a grade of C or better in algebra and passed the aptitude test given to all course applicants.



Monroe



Marching Indians — Front Row: Nancy Lockhart, Will Robbins, Pam Franklin. **Row 2:** Cheryl Alvarez, Mitzi Luck, Lisa McGucken, Lisa Moore, Cathy Walton, Tina Evans, Anne Horvath, Janet Mergl, Marci Lindsey, Lorri Moore, Tammy Kunstek, Jeannine Johnson, Brigitte Kincheloe, Cindy Sterling, April Caywood, Julie Horvath. **Row 3:** Sherri Brink, Donna Shaw, Holly Hibbs, Jennifer Knight, Jane Chadwick, Tammy Norrod, Sharon Sherrard, Donna Malone, Angela Knight, Kathy Forney, Judy Hill, Judy Smith, Kim Needham, Stephanie Bacon, Carol Copeland, Cindy Thomas, Barbara Smeltzer. **Row 4:** Joni Smothermon, Eric Monroe, Chuck Giley, Teri Renehan, Chris Jensen, Bill Coban, Tom Leucuta, Kurt Ingram, Jim Geary, Allan Magbanua, Jim Leimbacher, Jim West, Gary Stuteville, Bettina Campbell, Rick Koen, Jill Coates. **Row 5:** Jackie Walker, Amy Tays, Carol Shirey, Kim Childers, Pam Gilbert, Karen Brown, Sonya Rollins, Peggy Skomac, Echo Maudlin, Alison Nordmann, Kathy Miller, Colleen Schwei, Kim Ronk, Sherry Guich, Diane Sharpe. **Row 6:** Julie Schultz, Melissa Ramsay, Shelly Filar, Patty Caccese, Lisa Mitckess, Debbie Salyer, Denise Edwards, Kim Allande, Doreen Morlock, Tammy Haynes, Arnold Magbanua, Merilee Veatch, Lauren Vernallis, Terri Wright, Scott Fielder. **Row 7:** Valerie Allen, Kim Kemp, Cheryl Evans, Robert Kachur, Cindy Kestle, Ruth Vigna, Karen Coster, Theresa Jones, Beth Richmond, Tim Claxton, Renee Darosky, Greg Smith, Dirk Shannon, Ken Gale. **Row 8:** Jamie Merifield, Angela Markos, Wilma Fields, Trisa Halcomb, Kathy Altese, Twyla Wilson, Linda Rodin, Tony Babcock, Jeff Emmons, Jim Burnham, Ken Kaminski, Joe Gaudio, Ron McCurdy. **Row 9:** Margaret Dauber, Brenda Darosky, Lori Tays, Barb Woolcott, Jen Bistransky, Eddie Wallace, Tom Miller, Chuck Franklin, Greg Kulavik, Mark Bollinger, Carl Dedina, Tom Andrey, Dave Wolfe, Patti Bailey. **Row 10:** Paul Bulva, Barb Fagen, Dan Neary, Don Mickles, Amy Ogden, Dana Mickles, Scott Coker, Tracey Weaver, Ken Roper, John Moravec, Ross Fortini, Howard Gauger, Garold Shaffer. **Back Row:** Joe Lara, Barry Mills, Gerard Raiha, Lou Hensley, Dave Yaros, Dan Yates, Jim Ashford, Mike Smart, Mike Palmer.



Jazz Band — Front Row: Chris Kosky, Carlo Paglicci, Sherry Guich, Scott Fielder, Dana Mickles, Cindy Kestle, Chuck Giley, Kurt Ingram, Bill Coban. **Row 2:** Troy Neihardt, Howard Gauger, Jamie Spanier, Patti Bailey, Chris Liechty, Nancy Lockhart, Barb Brooks, Bob Nuce, Lou Hensley, Pat Esposito. **Back Row:** Joe Lara, Jim Bulva, Jen Bistransky, Randy Katzelis, Ken Roper, Jeff Emmons, Dan Neary, Roger Contreras, Mike Esposito.

Marching Indians display color, flare, flash, pride

The PHS Marching Indians consisted of the band, Flag and Rifle Corps and the Indianettes. "The Indianettes, Flag and Rifle Corps are auxiliary groups who add color, flare and flash that are needed in every performance," said Mr. Michael Pavell, director.

The Marching Indians practiced every school day afternoon and also rehearsed for three Saturdays in a row during the fall. They sometimes returned Thursday nights for an additional two hours of practice.

The band entertained the public with pre-game and halftime shows at home football and basketball games. They helped support school and team spirit at athletic events. Nancy Lockhart, jr., said, "I really loved performing for the home crowd. They were a lot

more responsive and enthusiastic about this year than they have been in the past. It was great."

"I enjoyed all the support the home crowd gave. All of us were really super this year," said Pattie Bailey, sr.

To become a Marching Indian, a student signs up for concert band class in the spring of the previous year, when the guidance counselor explains that the Marching Indians are part of the concert band experience. Any student who does not wish to march is placed in study hall for the first quarter and does not receive credit for the class.

Sophomore Dan Neary said, "I felt that this year's Marching Band set an example of school pride that everyone could follow. I felt great to be part of such a spirited organization."

The Indianettes not only performed with the Marching Indians but also made up routines to entertain the crowd at halftime at basketball games. Janet Mergl, jr., and Julie Horvath, soph., perform with the squad.

The Marching Indians, characterized by their prevailing spirit and sense of pride, sparked enthusiasm at home football games. Jeannine Johnson, Mitzi Luck, Cheryl Alvarez, Jeff Emmons, Lisa Moore and Ken Roper perform for the crowd at halftime.

Adding flash to halftime activities, the Flag Corps display their school colors and precision movements. The girls chosen as members in the Flag Corps were required to attend a one-week summer camp to improve and perfect their skills.

"Spirited" was the only word to describe the members of Pep Band. Unlike other bands, Pep Band was totally a free time project. Students did not receive class credit, but could still earn points needed for becoming a letterman.



Symphonic establishes high goals

Behind the bustling backdrop of the music department operated the symphonic band, directed by Mr. Martin Sensenbaugh. According to him, the 90-member band established as a goal a high standard of performance and musicianship to become as good as possible musically.

"The band constantly strives to reach a high level of performance not only in concerts and programs but also in the classroom," said Mr. Sensenbaugh. The class allowed the students to become acquainted with and to have a high working knowledge of many kinds of music, Mr. Sensenbaugh said.

In addition to increasing their musical ability, the students should obtain from the class the satisfaction of knowing they can do something well. "Hopefully, after completing the class, the students will know that they can reach for high goals and attain them," said Mr. Sensenbaugh.

According to Mr. Sensenbaugh, a band student can be a professional because the class allows students to perform to the best of their ability. "A band student strives to be as good as he possibly can or else he is wasting his time," said Mr. Sensenbaugh.

Overall, a student should have an interest in the group as a whole and in improving himself musically. Mr. Sensenbaugh said a student should have enough curiosity and interest in his instrument to want to do well for his own self-satisfaction.

"The level of proficiency and, therefore, the difficulty of the music is higher in symphonic band because of this natural motivation," said Mr. Sensenbaugh.

Saxophones — Front Row: Stephanie Bacon, Terry Wright, Julie McKeown, Sherry Gucich. **Back Row:** Dave Yaros, Tim Mucha, Greg Smith, Scott Fielder, Art Kenworthy, Will Robbins.

Percussion — Kurt Ingram, Tom Leucuta, Eric Monroe, Betina Campbell, Bill Coban, Jim Geary.

Brass — Front Row: Pam Franklin, Tracey Weaver, Mary Reedy, Margaret Dauber. **Back Row:** Don Mickles, Scott Coker, Mike Smart.

Woodwinds — Front Row: Tammy Haynes, Barbara Smeltzer, Alison Nordmann, Tracey Stone. **Back Row:** Theresa Jones, Dana Mickles.





Cornets — Front Row: Jeff Emmons, Barb Woolcott, Chris Jensen, Sherri Brink, Michael Evans, Tony Babcock. **Back Row:** Ross Fortini, Dan Neary, Ken Roper, Randy Katzelis, Chuck Franklin, Jim Burnham, Joe Lara.

Brass — Front Row: Howard Gauger, Shelley Medley, Nancy Lockhart, Barb Fagen, Pattie Bailey, Tom Andrey. **Back Row:** Barry Mills, Gerald Raiha, Lou Hensley.

Clarinets — Front Row: Sharon Sherrard, Cheryl Evans, Kim Kemp, Cathy Walton, Kim Ronk. **Back Row:** Lorri Moore, Kathy Simmons, Arnold Magbanua, Chuck Giley, Doreen Morlock, Karen Brown.

Flutes — Front Row: Julie Schultz, Judy Hill, Diane Sharpe, Pam Gilbert, Patty Caccese. **Back Row:** Joni Smothermon, Kim Needham, Lauren Vernallis, Merilee Veatch, Jessica Wolfe, Cindy Kestle, Anne Horvath.



Trombones — Front Row: Garold Shaffer, Chris Liechty, Greg Kulavik, Amy Ogden. **Back Row:** Joe Gaudio, Dave Wolfe, Ed Wiltse, Mark Bollinger.

Flutes — Front Row: Melissa Ramsay, Connie Payne, Trudy Kingery, Shannon Fifield, Kim Childers, Carol Shirey, Kim Allande, Peggy Skomac, Angela Markos. **Back Row:** Teri Renehan, Holly Hibbs, Kelly Spanier, Linda Rodin, Bob Kachur, Twyla Wilson, Beth Richmond, Ruth Vigna, Sonya Rollins.



Clarinets — Front Row: Wilma Fields, Kathy Miller, Janice Merrifield, Jane Chadwick, Lisa Moore, Lisa Mitckess, Shelly Filar, Trisa Halcomb, Diane Woolcott. **Back Row:** Ron Barker, Amy Tays, Kathy Altese, Julie Horvath, Theresa Jones, Cindy Kestle, Dana Mickles, Karen Coster, Valerie Allen.

Saxes — Front Row: Stephanie Bacon, Renee Darosky, Denise Edwards, Tracey Weaver. **Back Row:** Tim Claxton, Lynn Schultz, Art Kenworthy, Ken Gale, Mary Reedy, Dan South.



Band gets first at NISBOVA contest

Sophomore musicians are given a chance to develop their skills while training for a more advanced band.

Some upperclassmen take the class, but Concert Band consists mostly of sophomores. Besides expanding their musical knowledge, students learn correct music procedures. For example, the students must exhibit

good posture, hold instruments correctly and have good sound projection. Class preparation and sectional work by Mr. Michael Pavell, Mr. Martin Sensenbaugh and the Concert Band brought them a first at the NISBOVA contest. Dana Mickles, sr., concluded, "All the work was well worth the outcome."

Bands that participated in the contest were to play one march and two selections of the director's choice. They also had to sightread a piece chosen by the judges after finishing their prepared numbers. Cindy Kestle, sr., commented, "I believe Concert Band did a much better job at contest than anticipated." They played "Coat of Arms" as a march and "Symphonic Overture" and "Die Meistersinger" as their selected numbers. Mr. Pavell, director, said, "We try to pick music that is challenging but not so challenging that it is over the band's heads."

The band also played four concerts this year, which included the Christmas, Winter, Pre-Contest and Spring. They performed on commencement day, too. Tracy Weaver, sr., "We did a good job throughout the whole year."

Practicing in the auditorium, Jill Coates, Jamie Merifield and Diane Woolcott prepare for the Christmas concert. The band practiced in the auditorium for a week before the concert to get used to the sound produced.

Percussion — Scott Cairns, Allan Magbanua, Gary Stuteville, Betina Campbell, Jim West, Jim Leimbacher, Jim Geary.



Tubas — **Front Row:** Dan Yates, Jim Staples. **Back Row:** Jim Ashtford, Gerald Raiha.



Cornets — **Front Row:** Bob Curran, Jen Bistransky, Shanissa Hollenshead, Lori Tays, Lori Cheek, Eddie Wallace. **Back Row:** Tom Miller, Chuck Franklin, Randy White, Mark Lewis, Ken Kaminski, Jim Burnham.

The PHS Marching Band's drum line taps out the rhythm as the band takes part in the annual Homecoming parade. The band joined the procession at Kyle School and then continued to the old high school.

During Homecoming week the Pep Band stirs up student spirit and participation by playing the school song during the lunch hours. Membership in Pep Band was voluntary, the only requirement being to attend after-school practices.



Scott Fielder, jr., Greg Smith and Sherry Gucich, srs., form the saxophone section of the Pep Band at a basketball game. The band members played at all home games to encourage spirit and participation among the fans.

The band marches in the Homecoming parade. The band gained experience in many contests they had not previously entered. As a result they traveled to the state marching contest where they earned a second place rating.

Karen Cotton, jr., practices with the Marching Band after school. The band members put in many hours, practicing four nights a week, after school, until 4:30. They began their season in mid-August and continued until mid-October.



The Chesterton band director presents the band with a plaque and Chesterton's marching flag as tokens of appreciation. The Portage Band Boosters donated \$250 to help finance the Trojan Guard's trip to Washington, D.C., for the inaugural pa



Indians step to new beat in new duds

Marching Indians added new twists to their normal routine. Changes in scenery, uniforms and amount of practice time dominated the revised formation of the band's 1980-1981 schedule.

A trip to Disney World was tentatively planned for the 81-82 marching season. Car washes, candy sales and other money makers were used to build up a fund for the trip. Each member would also pay \$300 to join the excursion.

In June Marching Indians played at Great America. Eight of the top bands in the state were invited to march in Marriott's parade through the New Orleans territory. The marchers took part in a morning and evening performance and spent the rest of the day enjoying the rides of the amusement park.

After heatstroke and fatigue resulting from the wearing of winter uniforms during the summer, the band decided to make their own summer uniforms. The uniforms consisted of blue skirts or pants and a white blouse sewn by the Portage Music Boosters.

Another change was the length of summer practice put in by the band. Instead of beginning the marching season in mid-August, practice began in May and continued throughout the summer, with a short break in July, resuming again the last two weeks in August. Barb Woolcott, jr., said, "It's a lot of work but it will pay off when we go to contest." Contest is mid-October.



Seniors Cindy Kestle and Dana Mickles play with the woodwind section of the jazz band. Next year there will be two jazz bands, one conducted by Mr. Robert Symer, who currently teaches at Grissom, and the other by Mr. Michael Pavell.

Junior Chris Jensen competes for chairs by playing scales and a musical selection while Mr. Pavell judges the quality, tone and degree of skill displayed. Chris was the tenth chair trumpet player in the Symphonic Band.



String Ensemble — Front Row: Melissa Dunning, Mary Satkoski, Linda Klopfer, Kelly Ingram, Bob Milligan. **Back Row:** Alicia Rupert, Dan Sadler, Terri Whitten, Joan Ramey, Greg Bumbales, Chris Kosky.

First Violins — Front Row: Mary Thielbar, Mary Satkoski, Melissa Dunning, April Caywood, Michele Cochran. **Back Row:** Mary Gaudio, Sandy Henik, Kelly Ingram, Marialyce Akers, Suzy Harris.

Second Violins — Front Row: Terry McWaters, Brigitte Kincheloe, Bob Milligan, Denise Edwards, Dave Edwards. **Back Row:** Veronica Gaines, Sandy Lillis, Kathy Welther, Jane Dixon.

Violas — Front Row: Beth Allison, Kathy Owens, Joan Ramey, Jennifer Slusher. **Back Row:** Frank Beshears, Terri Whitten, Greg Bumbales, Monica Aslin, Dan Sadler.



Bass — Front Row: Chris Kosky, Alicia Rupert, Mary Bengero. **Back Row:** Rich Gilmore, Jeff Tennant, Mike Humphrey.



Orchestra time-consuming, hard work

Taking on a new position as orchestra director was at first an uncomfortable experience for Miss Pat Gerlach. Miss Gerlach took on the new responsibility when the change was made to the new school. "It took me a while to get used to the place," Miss Gerlach explained.

As concerts and contest rolled around, she took on many responsibilities, such as getting and distributing music to the orchestra students. "It's time consuming; every single person has different abilities and can play differently," added Miss

Gerlach.

The orchestra puts in many hours of practicing contest music, but it was worth it; they received a first in contest in April. Miss Gerlach said that "contest in general went well."

The orchestra was also busy recruiting many elementary students. Recruiting was probably one of the most important orchestra activities. Its main purpose was to encourage incoming sixth graders into the string program. The recruiting was done by performing mini concerts for

these students and demonstrating different instruments to them.

The chamber orchestra also played an important role in the recruitment. Each person introduced his specific instrument to the elementary students. The chamber orchestra consisted of 11 string players who played for luncheons and other private engagements. "This year was a big success, and I expect next year to be even better," Miss Gerlach emphasized.



Cellos — Front row: Robbie Reid, Holly Hopkins.
Back Row: Pam Rahtfeldt, Jim Michalak, Linda Klopfer.

Cello was played only by Rob Ahrendt, fresh., in the concert orchestra. This orchestra consisted of freshmen from the three Portage middle schools, with students commuting to PHS first hour, then back to their respective schools.

Vocalists debut as recording artists

Along with performing at concerts and entertaining groups, many PHS choir students made their recording debut. Cutting an album was a big and long awaited spring activity for the choir students.

The students from the A cappella choir and the Choraliers made the album after returning from spring break. They put many hours of hard work into the finished product. "Making an album gives the students an opportunity to do studio work," said Mrs. Joanne Taylor, director.

The auditorium stage was employed as a temporary recording studio with the use of

the school's recording system.

"The school's equipment is a lot better than some recording studios," said Greg Beasley, sr., technical director of the album.

The album took two full days to record. "I didn't mind taking a great amount of time to make the album, because it was well worth it," said Dave Gallardo, jr.

Twenty minutes was given to both groups, so there was a limit to the songs put on the recording. "I really

enjoyed the songs that were put on the album," said Kathy Welther, sr. A cappella choir sang "Joy in the Morning" with a brass ensemble. The Choraliers recorded many songs, including "Longer" by Daniel Fogelburg, "Everybody has a Dream" by Billy Joel, "Ships" by Barry Manilow, and "What a Difference You've Made in My Life" by Ronnie Milsap.

The albums were sold by individual choir students and were also put on sale at the spring concert, the last concert for the choir students.



K. Spicer



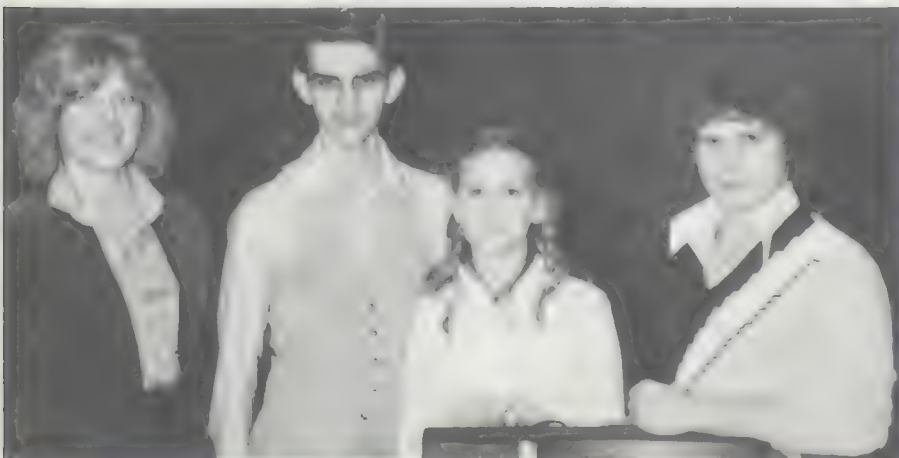
Th. Adams

After winning a first place rating at a NISBOVA contest for a solo, Rhea Spicer, sr., received the honor of competing in the state contest where she obtained another first place. Here, Rhea practices her solo with Chuck Giley, sr., as her accompanist.

The Sacred Concert is performed each year by A cappella, Girls' Ensemble and the Choraliers. The concert is termed "sacred" because it is comprised of religious songs. Cassey Osborn, sr., Amber Hughes, jr., and Peggy Adams, sr., perform.

During the Christmas season, the Choraliers helped bring out the holiday spirit by performing for the shoppers at Southlake Mall. Sheila Parks, sr., sings "Ships" by Barry Manilow, while Kathy Welther, sr., Ken Vela, jr., and Howard Gauger, sr., harmonize.





A cappella Choir — Front Row: Nancy Nicalek, Lori Longmore, Rhea Spicer, Cassie Osborn, Tammy Steele, Carla Paglicci, Peggy Adams, Tami Abbott, Raunda Fisher, Jenny Petti. **Row 2:** Cheri Donohue, Kathy Sims, Cheryl Elieff, Darla Keleman, Gayla Fox, Dianne Alford, Jeanine David, Kathy Welther, Anne Horvath, Sheila Parks, Janet Gregg, Amber Hughes. **Row 3:** Mrs. Joanne Taylor, Sue Bartelheim, Dan Merrill, Bob Haire, Mark Smaltz, Jim Carr, Dorinda Campbell, Bob Milligan, Ken Vela, Mary Carpenter. **Back Row:** Rick Redman, Ron Wathern, Ed Daniel, Chuck Giley, Scott Coker, Howard Gauger, Tony Glancy, Tony Vickrey.

Choraliers — Front Row: Peggy Adams. **Row 2:** Colleen Kerezman, Howard Gauger, Carla Paglicci, Greg Beasley, Dave Gallardo, Jim Carr, Dianna Alford, Ken Vela, Kathy Welther. **Back Row:** Jeanine David, Ed Daniel, Cassie Osborn, Ron Wathern, Linda Roberts, Troy Neihardt, Mrs. Joanne Taylor, Rick Koen, Chris Kosky, Chuck Giley, Amber Hughes, Bob Milligan, Sheila Parks.

Girls' Ensemble — Front Row: Cindy Hodge, Jackie Lamar, Kathy Sims, Darla Keleman, Peggy Adams, Ruth Siler, Deanne Strohm. **Row 2:** Dawn Stowers, Cassie Osborn, Gayla Fox, Amber Hughes, Dana Frank, Cindy Waelde, Mary Dauber, Karen Lamar, Lora White. **Row 3:** Mrs. Joanne Taylor, Lori Longmore, Judy Miller, Lynda Kasserman, Shari Tachik, Deanne Poffinbarger, Renee Rooksby, Kelly Andresen.

Accompanists — Front Row: Mrs. Joanne Taylor, Chuck Giley, Linda Roberts, Troy Neihardt.



Freedom Jam concert adds to school spirit. This organization was one of the more popular ones during the school year. Many people were seen at the concert and many were seen at the school of District Council.



Speech and Debate Team — Front Row: Rhea Spicer, Andrea Eyster, Judy Petrovich, Sheila Piasecki. **Back Row:** Geoff Sherry, Joe Feivor, Jim Ashford, Linda Newman, Laura Beier.

Geoff Sherry, soph., placed first in a speech tournament held at Portage. "In Congress, which is similar to debate, I was required to speak on four various bills, such as the replacement of the Electoral College system with popular vote," he said.



Feller

Extra activities planned through council

The force behind most extracurricular activities, such as secret pals for teachers, the Freedom Jam concert and a movie night featuring the film **The Song Remains the Same**, was the PHS Student Council.

Sophomore Pat Barnes commented, "Being a representative, I was active in all activities and helped to make them a

success." Mr. Ronald Hancock, sponsor, added, "This year's Student Council was the most outstanding group of students to work with."

Student Council completed more than 30 projects during the school year, one of which was the Christmas "secret pals" program. Students secretly put presents in teachers' mailboxes during the week

before Christmas vacation. The council then sponsored a tea where the teachers found out who the students were. Geoff Sherry, soph., said, "Many teachers commented on how thoughtful this was of Student Council."

Beside the normal election convocations for underclassmen, Student Council brought in attractions from outside the schools. A multi-media program on values was shown, and "Freedom Jam" performed during the school day. Mike Malone, Student Council president, said, "This year's Student Council was a challenge, but the council, as a whole, met that challenge."

During the Yuletide season, Santa (Mr. Mundi) and his elves (srs. Lisa Wilkinson, Ida McCree, Darlene Alvarado, Kathy Forney) paid a visit to PHS to spread Christmas cheer. This was only one of the activities sponsored by Student Council.



Dressed in colonial garb, Freedom Jam rocks to the music. The next evening the group performed a more rock-oriented concert in the PHS auditorium, playing to an audience of 800-900 persons.



Student Council — Front Row: Pam Burden, Tim Abbott, Jenny Heimborg, Mike Malone, Debbie Kaminski, Chuck Torrez, Rose Natalie, Mark Baker, Virginia Brakulis, Greg Beasley, Lorri Moore. **Row 2:** Shawn Hale, Sue Strilich, Sandy Hart, Lynne Wisneski, Holly Anderson, Chris Kosky, Carrie Zimmerman, Pat Shellenburg, Kelly Ingram, Guy Hadley, Mr. Ronald Hancock. **Back Row:** Rick Lewis, Pat Barnes, Sharon Zeller, Frank Garcia.



National Honor Society adds quiz bowl

What is the date of Bastille Day?
What various methods are employed for combining businesses?

Such questions were typical of those asked of certain National Honor Society (NHS) members as they participated in Quiz Bowl for the first time. Twelve Honor Society students participated in the Quiz Bowl team with Rick Koen and Brian Herr as captains. "We had a successful year. We started the first Quiz Bowl team, and we hope to see it continue in the future," said Rick.

In a meet, a question is posed to two opposing teams, each consisting of four members. One member of each team is

designated as captain. If the question is answered correctly within 10 seconds, that team receives 10 points. The meet is divided into two 20-minute halves, and substitutions can be made at the half. At the end of the second half, the team with the most points wins. A tie is settled with a bonus question. "We were the new team. Therefore, our inexperience with the panel boards hurt us more than a lack of knowledge," commented Lynn Kwilas, vice-president.

Questions were selected from five categories: math, science, literature and English grammar, social studies and grab bag. The five schools that

participated were Chesterton, MC Rogers, MC Elston, Valparaiso and Portage.

Also to NHS's credit went the decoration of a wall for Homecoming, assembling of the honor roll and compiling and publishing of senior wills. Their last activity for the year was the induction of 32 seniors and 34 juniors at Awards Night May 28. "The Honor Society members carried out a number of projects throughout the year. I had one of the most conscientious groups of officers this year," stated Mr. Dennis Bond.

Other Honor Society officers were Diane Lukasik, treasurer, and Dorinda Campbell, secretary.



Rogers

Honor society members are well-rounded people in addition to being bright students. Debbie Wetklow and Diane McDonald, sr., work on layouts for Legend. Other Honor Society members were involved in activities from track to Quiz Bowl.



Honor Society (New Juniors) — Front Row: Laura Holok, Chris Jensen, Pam Gilbert, Lynn Giley, Denise Chavez. **Row 2:** Brian Binder, Sue Sudduth, Sue Propson, Denise Philpott, Margo Gasic, Diane Mitchell, Dwaine Reid. **Row 3:** Louis Batides, Diane Paterson, Doreen Morlock, Barb Smeltzer, Barbara Woolcott, Jeanette Fischer, Cheryl Evans, Charles McGee. **Back Row:** Kevin Mackey, John Petrovich, Jeff Wardell, Guy Hadley, Mike Mulligan, Rick Lewis, Steve Frank.



Honor Society (New Seniors) — Front Row: Kelly Stahl, Brenda Darosky, Darla Keleman, Judy Hill, Mary Satkoski, Kathy Welther. **Row 2:** Eric Monroe, Sandy Hunt, Linda McCurdy, Sheryl Berg, Rhonda Gilbert, Stephanie Dean. **Back Row:** Jen Bistransky, Patty Bailey, Tami Heatherly, Andrea Ogden, Diana Erickson, Mark Lemmons.

Thespians — Front Row: Greg Beasley, Rhea Spicer, Karen Nolan, Jenny Rocchi, Scott Pieschala. **Back Row:** Nancy Lockhart, Chuck Giley, Jen Bistransky, Cindy Kestle, Scott Coker, Penny Morris, Dave Gallardo, Peggy Adams.





Felter

National Honor Society (Old Seniors) — Front Row: Jane Berquist, Janet Ebling, Cheryl Myers, Janet English, Rick Koen, Leslie Wilson. **Row 2:** Lynn Kwlasz, Donna Morales, Diane Lukasik, Julie McKeown, Debbie Wetklow, Dorinda Campbell, Lorri Moore. **Back Row:** Greg Beasley, Mike Lesnick, Mike Frank, Brian Herr, Oren Cooley, Al Bridges.



You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown cast members were primarily veterans compared to the new talent in **Bad Seed** and **Gypsy**. The use of new talent brought many prospects for members to Thespians. A requirement to join Thespians was 150 hours of active work on a production. New members inducted in the spring of '81 were Jeri Eubank, Brian Herr, Brigitte Kincheloe, Tim Luketich, Lori Lynn and Cindy Matysik. Also, Jim Michalak, Kim Miller, Cassie Osborn, Cindy Runyon, Barb Snyder, Tracey Weaver and Kathy Welther. There are two inductions yearly, one in the fall and the other in spring.

Several crew members work on scenery for the fall production, **You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown**. Backstage workers are eligible for membership in Thespians if they meet the qualification of 150 hours of active work during a production.



Quill & Scroll designates cream of journalism crop

Quill and Scroll: A national honor society for high school journalists. Twenty-one PHS students made up the Rowena Kyle chapter of this journalism society.

Preliminary requirements for acceptance are two semesters on staff and a place in the top third of the class. The local chapter then must approve the applicants, based upon the meeting of deadlines, quality of work and overall attitude. Eric Monroe, sr., commented, "We choose new members very carefully because they will represent the quality of PHS journalism in the future."

During the 80-81 year, Quill and Scroll sponsored two picture sales featuring unused **Legend** pictures. "The

picture sales were held in order to provide a service to the students pictured and to raise money for the club," said Leslie Wilson, sr.

The organization also planned two banquets, one in the fall and another in the spring. The purpose of the spring banquet was "to honor our student journalists for their work throughout the year," said Mrs. Debra Heitmann, adviser.

Sandy Hunt, sr., concluded, "Quill and Scroll is an honorary society that is also an active organization. It sponsors different activities throughout the year, such as our annual journalism awards banquet and picture sale. It is an honor to be a member."

Ski Club — Front Row: Tim Rambo, Rick Rambo, Rose Natalie, Lisa Wilkinson, Mrs. Donna MacArthur. **Row 2:** John Rogers, John Allred, Brett Risher, Leanne Kersten. **Back Row:** Roger Thorn, Scott Coker, Tammy Bagley, Tim Abbott, Lynne Salerno, Will Robbins, Leann Rhodes, Marian Lacey.



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Junior Anna Hix contributes Leanne Lavel about a story in the Pow Wow. Cooperation and working with others was an essential part of being on any staff. Both Leanne and Anna were in the first members of Quill and Scroll.





Recording the times of the swimmers are Ten Renehan, Jenny Stiles, jr., Cindy Hodge, sr., and Shawn Hale, jr. The girls volunteered to aid in getting the exact times of all the swimmers on the team.

The delegates for Girls' State are — **Front Row:** Julie Schultz, Chris Melton, Susan Propsom, and Laura Holok. The alternates are — **Back Row:** Terri Whitten, Laurie Kravas, Carol Copeland and Karen Cotton. The seminar will take place at Indiana University.



Thomasino



Quill and Scroll — Front Row: Penny Morris, Jill Fleming, Anna Hix, Barb Woolcott, Carol Riddle, Barb Brooks, Sue Sudduth. **Row 2:** Eric Monroe, Tom Andrey, Tom Felter, Sandy Hunt, Oren Cooley, Greg Smith, Leslie Wilson. **Back Row:** Debbie Wetklow, Jeanine David, Debbie Boyer.

The delegates for Boys' State are — **Back Row:** John Stahura, Charlie McGee, Steve Frank and Jeffery Wardell. The alternates are — Douglas Reid, Greg Papich, Scott Bacon and James Michalak. Steve Frank had to drop out and was replaced by Scott Bacon.

Thomasino



Thomasino

The lifters and the varsity cheerleaders practice in the gymnasiums room. The practices were every Tuesday and Thursday and also whenever they thought it was necessary to have a practice.

Lifters and Varsity Cheerleaders — Front Row Mark Kingery, Lisa Nevill, Judy Hagerty, Cassie Malinoff, Tammy Sutherland. **Row 2:** Sheryl Stanley, Debbie Watson, Kim Allen, Laura Peterson. **Back Row:** Scott Coker, Frank Stimson, Mike Malone, Mark Estelle, John Rogers, Mike Mrak, Dave Yaros, Mark Francesconi.



Sophomore Carrie Lewis and Julie Lenburg do a sideline cheer during JV football game. The JV cheerleading squad consisted of all sophomores, while the varsity squad consisted of juniors and seniors.

Sophomore Mike Mrak holds Tammy Sutherland, sr., while she performs her cheer for a free shot. Besides doing mounts with the lifters, cheerleaders did display mounts and did some cheers by themselves.





JV Cheerleaders — Front Row: — Carrie Lewis.
Row 2: Tina Thielbar, Carrie Zimmerman, Chris Bertucci. **Back Row:** Kelly Mackey, Kelly Spanier, Julie Lenburg.

Pep Club — Front Row: Miss Gerri Kotyuk, Debbie Watson, Anne Horvath, Lorri Moore, Judy Hagerty, Miss Kathy Kotyuk. **Row 2:** Kim Allen, Tammy Sutherland, Cassie Malinoff, Nancy Horvath, Sheryl Stanley, Carrie Zimmerman, Kelly Spanier, Chris Bertucci, Carrie Lewis, Tina Thielbar. **Row 3:** Cheryl Alvarez, Lisa McGucken, Brigitte Kincheloe, Darlene Alvarado, Julie Horvath, Tina Evans, Janet Mergl, Mitzi Luck, Ida

McCree, Cindy Hodge, Jeannine Johnson. **Row 4:** Julie Lenberg, Laura Peterson, Kelly Mackey, Lisa Moore, Cathy Walton, Cindy Sterling, Kathy Forney, Judy Hill, Donna Malone. **Row 5:** Lori Greavu, Diana Erickson, Kathy Sims, Yvette York, Carol Forbes. **Back Row:** Kathy Miller, Tammy Steele, Monika Warchus, Karen Herron.



Varsity cheerleaders get 'boost' from nine lifters

In red T-shirts and white painter's pants, nine guys helped lift the varsity cheerleaders off their feet at basketball games. The lifters were new during 80-81 and made it possible for the cheerleaders to build more difficult pyramids in their routines.

Sponsor Gerri Kotyuk said the decision to have lifters was made "because we saw other schools who had them, and it seemed to be a good idea. We were very fortunate to have the caliber of guys going out for it. They were very dedicated; they even tried to change their work schedules in order to accommodate practices and games."

At first the boys practiced only once a week with the cheerleaders, but as the season went on they stayed after school twice a week.

Senior Scott Coker said that what he liked best about being a lifter was

The JV cheerleaders perform a mount during a time out at a home basketball game. The lifters did not help the JV squad, although some members did have a chance to cheer with the varsity during basketball.

"having a part in the basketball games and promoting school spirit." However, he did not feel the lifters should do routines during football season. "I think it would be better just to have it for basketball and let the girls cheer by themselves for football."

The lifters included seven seniors, John Rogers, Mark Estelle, Scott Coker, Mark Kingery, Mike Malone, Mark Francesconi and Dave Yaros, plus two sophomores, Frank Stimson and Mike Mrak.

"I enjoyed being a lifter this year. It was a trial year and, as with all new experiences, there is a little uncertainty involved. However, everything worked out for the best and I had a great time," said Mike Malone, sr. Senior Mark Francesconi said, "It gave me a chance to do something out of the ordinary."

The program received many compliments and worked very well, according to Miss Kotyuk. "I think the guys and girls worked very hard. That's what made the program a success. We were thrilled with it."

Attraction

Community enjoys high school athletics

A cheer erupted from the Portage fans who were rooting from the sidelines as Portage pulled further ahead of their opponents. This fanfare was yet another example of the PHS factor. This factor was a magnetic quality which drew fans to Portage sport events like flies to sugar. Young and old alike turned out for the events which interested them. Mr. and Mrs. George Arwood, who have no children in school, said they attend games "because we feel the people in the community should support the athletic programs in the schools and we enjoy athletic

competition at that level."

A prime example of community participation was the Portage Athletic Boosters. This club was organized to give extra support to the sports program. "Through their assistance, we are able to provide a first class athletic program at PHS," said Mr. Larry Casbon, athletic director.

The main functions of the Boosters were to promote a closer relationship between the community and the school through sport activities, to provide financial aid, to develop support for the

programs, to give recognition to the individual athlete and to lend assistance to those wishing to further their athletic careers, said Mr. Mike Kovalow, president. To carry this out, they promoted membership and active participation. They also encouraged members to attend meetings, sell program advertisements, and work in the concession stand.

The Boosters' latest project consisted of setting up a Portage Hall of Fame to recognize the outstanding achievements of individuals and teams, said Mrs. Julia Kovalow, Athletic Booster member.

A Portage Booster member sells refreshments to a fan during halftime at a PHS basketball game. During each home game a different Portage team helped the Boosters by working with them in the concession stand.

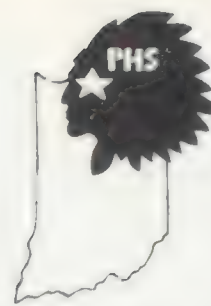


Cheering the girls' varsity basketball team on to victory are two ardent supporters, Mr. and Mrs. Rahfeldt. Point-guard Brenda Clark, jr., said the fans "were really behind us and that's what we needed. They made us play better."

Jim Valentine, sr., pulls Scott Schuler, jr., as they compete in pre-track training chariot races. By putting an intertube around his waist and pulling the other athlete, a shot putter hopes to increase his leg muscle strength.



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Kim Allen, Jr. poses on the balance beam during her intermediate beam routine in a meet against Whoson. Kim and the rest think about being on the gymnastics team was "knowing you want to go out and perform in front of an audience as part of a unified team."

Wrestling: A lot of hard work and attention was to be seen. IV wrestler Mike McDaniel was extremely good and in the match against a 140 lb opponent. The wrestler finished that match with a 10-0 record.

Thomas



Thomas

Varsity Football		
Season Record: 8-2		
PHS		OPP
35	Crown Point	6
28	Highland	7
29	Valparaiso	20
49	Rogers	6
10	Merrillville	7
34	LaPorte	6
20	Hobart	
14	Andrean	7
39	Lake Station	
23	Chesterton	13

Three-year letterman Kevin Mackey, jr., hands the ball off to Dave Ulemek, sr. As quarterback, Mackey was 81 for 145 in completions. He also punted 32 times for a total of 1,196 yards, averaging 37.4 yards per punt.



Football, Varsity — Front Row: Mike Sheriff, Jeff Veach, Todd Lewis, Ron Wenzel, Rob Jones, Tom Jaeger, Mike Giese, Jeff Strlich, Dave Ulemek. **Row 2:** Mark Francesconi, Mike Malone, Bill Weber, Charles Lilja, Jim Valentine, Mike McWhirter, Greg Weaver, Rich Gunter, Gil Spisak. **Row 3:** Doc Kerns, Brad Claussen, Ron Nabhan, Scott Schuler, Dave Clark, Bill Cox, Jamie Spanier, Ken West, Mike Wozniak. **Row 4:** Scott Bacon, Dave Stanley, Bill Nolan, Greg Apathy, John Stahura, Scott Senour, Kevin Mackey, Tim Abbott, Scott Pieszchala. **Row 5:** Mark Patterson, Rich Spicer, Mike Crnarich, Tim Brock, Frank Garcia, Mark Ribordy, Charlie McGee, Greg Papich. **Back Row:** Coach Klein, Coach Mattix, Coach Milakovic, Coach Lemond.

Quarterback Scott Senour, jr., scrambles to escape from the Andrean 49ers defensive lineman. Senour was 9 for 19 in completions. On defense Senour had 15 solo tackles and 14 assists. The Indians finished 2nd in the Duneland Conference.



Late losses crush hopes for playoff

"We had an outstanding team performance all year," stated Coach Les Klein. "We played with enthusiasm and intensity the first seven games. We were flat following the loss to Hobart. The players responded well, however, preparing for Chesterton," he added. Aug. 4, players started studying plays, doing workouts, then advancing to pad workouts, ending up with three practice sessions a day. The team also participated in the "summer conditioning program," consisting of weight lifting and running. Trainer Doc Bob Kerns, remarked, "I thought they had a very good year from the standpoint of injuries. We didn't have many major injuries. And, from a trainer, that makes a successful season."

The opening of the new Portage stadium drew standing room only crowds and added to the Indian spirit. Coach Klein added, "Our fans showed tremendous support and enthusiasm, and parents were very supportive of our program." Despite the unfulfilled goal of becoming state champs, Coach Dave Mattix commented, "Not many teams in the state of Indiana can boast the kind of record Portage has compiled the last two years. Winning 16 of 20 games while playing in the best football conference in the state is quite an accomplishment."

Third year quarterback Kevin Mackey, jr., said, "I think it was a very good season. With a few breaks here and there I think we could have made the play-offs. Things are looking up for next season."

New for the Indians was mascot Timmy Mattix. Timmy is the son of Coach Dave Mattix, and was a first grader at Jones Elementary School.

From the sidelines, Mike McWhirter, sr., concentrates on the field action. While playing Mike assisted with 22 tackles and made six solos. The opening of the new Portage Stadium helped add to the enthusiasm of the team and the spectators.

The "Portage Pack" brings down the Andean opposition. Dave Ulemek, sr., helps with the tackle. Dave, who played on offense and defense, was number two in carries with 97, and number one in rushing with a total of 538 yards.

Sophomore Mike Carroll waits patiently on the sidelines, anticipating Coach Turpa's strategy and what his next move will be. The JV team finished its season "with a winning attitude and a great deal of improvement," said Coach Turpa.



Sophomore Mike Mrak tries to punt the ball, but is unsuccessful, resulting in a pass attempt. Although other teams had the size advantage, the JV team prevented many other teams from running away with the game.

John Pappas, and **Greg Shinall**, both sophomores, tackle one of the Raiders as he tries to sneak away from the Indians' tough defense. Despite injuries and losses, Coach Turpa said that the JV team's biggest accomplishment was strength of character.



JV Football		
Season record: 5-4		
PHS		OPP
0	O'Rama at Valpo	0
7	Chesterton	6
14	Bishop Noll	20
11	Valparaiso	14
11	M.C. Rogers	12
9	Merrillville	7
8	LaPorte	7
20	Hobart	6
26	Lake Station	6
19	Andean	6

JV football ends season with 5 wins

The goal of Coach Pete Turpa was to turn the JV football team members into the best players possible. "They tried and never gave up," said Coach Turpa, "which resulted in a winning record of 5-4."

Sophomore Kevin Cardenas explained that the JV team had a slow start in the beginning of the season, but then came back towards the end. After losing four out of their five early season games, the JV team made a complete turnaround by winning their last four games of the season. Sophomore Greg Shinall added, "We held Valparaiso scoreless the first three quarters, but they scored in the last four minutes when we fumbled in our own territory."

The JV team stood up to other area teams very well, and, according to Coach Turpa, the team was "very competitive."

After finishing their first year of competitive high school football, the JV team members hope to return for the 1981 varsity season. John Pappas, soph., said, "Maybe two or three of the JV players will start on defense (next year)." The season "looks bright for next year," concluded Coach Turpa.



Evading an MC Rogers opponent, Charlie Brown, soph., tries to put points on the board

the hardest games of the year because of their size," added Coach Turpa.



Boys' JV Football — Front Row: Mike Mrak, Larry Gillis, Tim Lutz, Scott Cairns, Ben Samano, Doug Hanauer, Mark Czazasty, Mike Krenkel. **Row 2:** Jerry Woolridge, Tim Cox, Mark Lewis, Larry Smock, Ed Wiltse, Mike Carroll, Doug Pennington. **Row 3:** Tim Spisak, Kevin Carpenter, Jeff Johnson, Jim Gilbert, Jeff Keehn,

Eric Blake. **Row 4:** Rob Schnelle, Pat Benac, Pat Barnes, Charlie Brown, Ron Parker, Raul Camacho, Bob Clark. **Row 5:** Coach Turpa, Bob Lange, Greg Shinall, Kevin Cardenas, John Pappas, Bill Beattie, Coach Pratt. **Back Row:** Bert Fekete, Dale Dahlgren.



"Runners to your mark," then with a loud bang from the official's gun, the cross country runners were off to another race. Toward the end of the 3.1 mile run, the Portage team dominated the race and went on to win the meet.

Cross country runners finish fourth in Indiana

Cross Country
(low score wins)
Season Record 10-0

PHS		OPP
20	Elston	57
20	Griffith	74
28	Crown Point	29
23	Hobart	33
15	M.C. Rogers	50
15	Washington Twp.	50
15	Valparaiso	50
16	LaPorte	47
22	Chesterton	35
15	Merrillville	50
Rensselaer Central Invite — 1st		
New Prairie Invite — 1st		
Highland Invite — 2nd		
Illiana Classic — 5th		
Duneland Conference — 1st		
Sectional — 1st		
Regional — 2nd		
Semi-State — 2nd		
State — 4th		

"Running with the pack" described the Cross Country team's style. Coach Bill Wilke explained that this year's improvement was shown "most in depth. Eight guys could have been chosen for any race and could have won a first place."

As avid cross country fans watched the runners pass by, almost half of the team would race together and go on to win the meet. Their constant system of finishing as a pack in meets helped the team improve its dual meet record to a 39 straight wins in the last three years. The only loss was against Crown Point, during the regional meet, to which runners lost by only one point.

After losing to only one team, the team finished its season by winning fourth place in the state meet, having been

ranked only sixth. After winning first in sectionals and second in the regionals and semi-state, placing as one of the top five teams in the state meet put the icing on the cake. Dan Newton, sr., commented, "Finishing fourth in the state was thrilling for the team."

"The success of the cross country team may be due to their year-round training, making them a closely knit team," said Dave Mulvihill, sr. They "showed more confidence" this year, said Coach Wilke. Furthermore, the team's main motivating force was "Coach Wilke's enthusiasm" concluded Steve Homme, sr. In preparation for next year, the cross country team looks forward to a season of track and another summer of training for the 1981 cross country season.



Coach Bill Wilke prepares statistics for a meet. The team attributed the success of its season to Coach Wilke's year-round training. The cross country team also runs track in the spring to stay in shape for the next year's season.



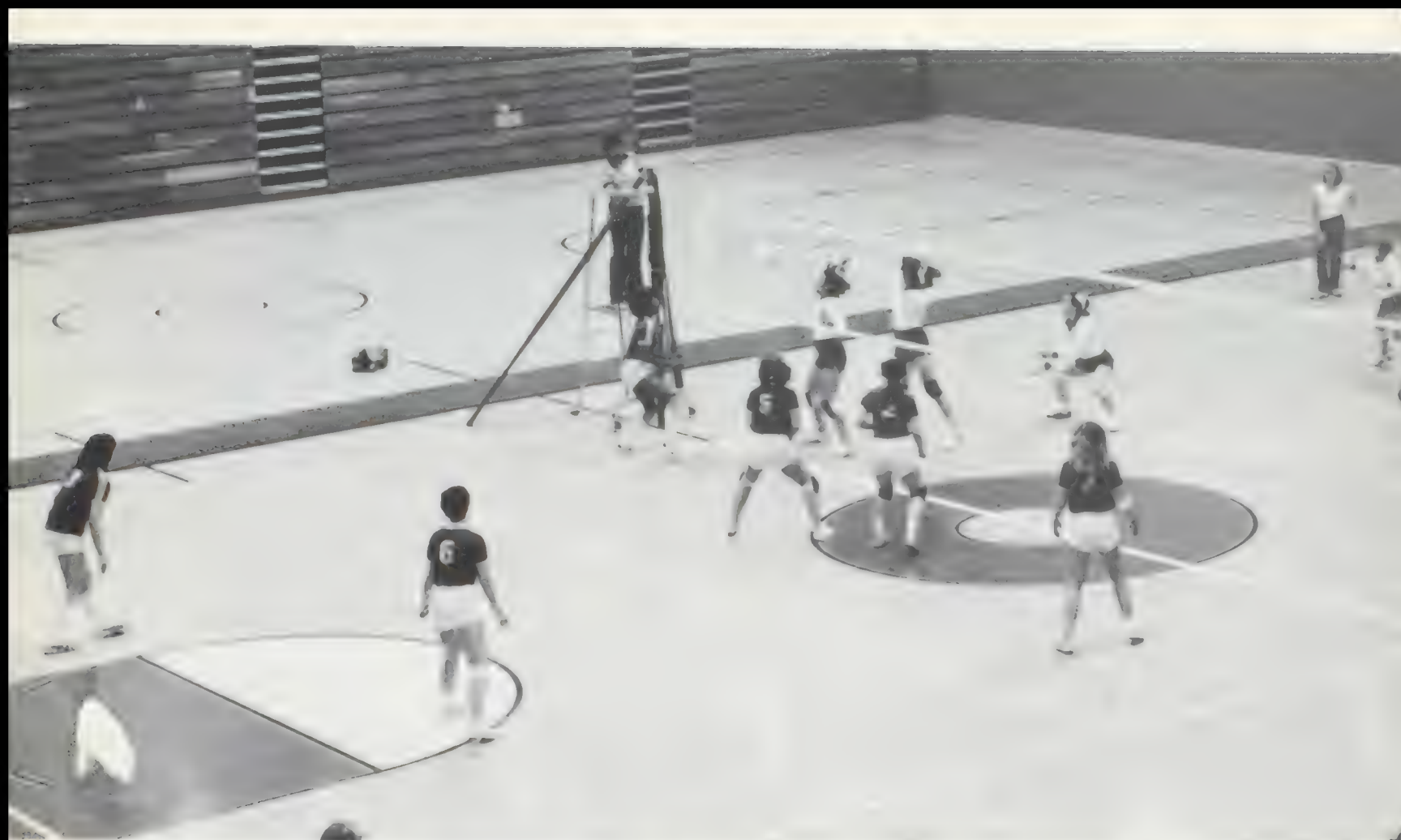
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Seniors Dan Newton and Steve Homme round a corner during the Rensselaer Central invitational. The cross country team won first place in the sophomore, junior and senior divisions, improving its record to 10-1.

Senior Jay White passes a Michigan City Rogers opponent during the Indians' only home meet. Jay was awarded the Best Mental Attitude Award for the 1981 cross country season. Portage defeated both MC Rogers and Washington Township.



Cross Country — Front Row: Greg Bumbales, Chuck Heimberg, Dan Newton, Dan Mulvihill, Dave Valentine, Doug Collins, Bob Abel. **Back Row:** Coach Bill Wilke, Kevin Huber, Jay White, Dan Roach, Steve Homme, Jim Millington, Mike Webber, Dave Mulvihill, Lance Erickson.



Sue Goffiney, soph., returns a volley to lead the Indians to victory over Gary Wirt. Sue was voted Most Improved Player by her teammates, and Tina Thielbar took the honor of Most Valuable Player.

Girls' JV Volleyball Season Record: 8-15		
PHS		OPP
1	Wheeler	2
2	Washington Twp.	0
1	Marquette	2
1	Hammond	2
2	Wirt	0
1	Andrean	2
0	Morton	2
2	Horace Mann	0
0	Valparaiso	2
2	Lowell	1
1	Highland	2
1	Lake Station	2
0	LaPorte	2
1	Chesterton	2
2	M.C. Rogers	0
2	Kankakee Valley	0
1	Munster	2
0	Bishop Noll	2
1	Merrillville	2
2	Calumet	1
1	Griffith	2
0	Hobart	2
2	Griffith	0



***Sophomores** Sophie Bogard and Julie Lenburg use teamwork to volley the ball to the Highland Trojans. Despite their teamwork, the JV team was defeated, 15-13. They finished the season with a record of 7-13.*





Court officials observe as varsity plays a home match against M.C. Rogers. There are three types of court officials, including the referee, umpire and linesman. The Indians lost this match two games to one.

Girls' Volleyball, Varsity — **Front Row:** Karen Allison, Beth Lucas. **Row 2:** Sherri Holland, Rhonda McCausland, Sue Propsom, Brenda Clark. **Back Row:** Coach Viera, Laura Holok, Lisa Cardenas, Sue Strlich, Kathy Simmons, Laura Peterson, Janet English.



Netters find going rough, end season below .500

Running, jumping calisthenics, and ball handling drills were all part of the pre-season practices that varsity and JV volleyball members attended.

Chris Liechty, soph., said the JV team had individual talent but lacked the teamwork required to have a winning season. "I think we could have done better," she added.

By encouraging summer Nautilus, Coach Paula Wiese hoped to have the team in shape before the season began. "The girls have learned many new skills and learned to use them in game situations," commented Coach Wiese. She also wanted to have a better winning attitude and more enthusiasm

on the team.

One reason for the disappointing varsity season was an inexperienced team that has only three seniors, commented Lisa Cardenas, sr., "but I feel that we learned a lot." Sue Propsom, jr., added, "I feel that we had the talent to beat most the teams we played.

With nine juniors on the squad this year, we should be very strong next year."

Girls' Volleyball, JV — **Front Row:** Chelisha Stam baugh, Tina Thielbar, Kelly Mackey, Sophie Bogard Sue Goffiney. **Back Row:** Coach Wiese, Chris Liechty Sharrisa Hollenshead, Vicki Weber, Chris Webb, Julie Lenburg.



Girls' Varsity Volleyball Season Record: 8-17

PHS		OPP
2	Wheeler	0
2	Washington Twp.	1
2	Marquette	2
2	Wirt	0
2	Hammond	0
2	Andean	2
2	Morton	2
2	Horace Mann	0
2	Valparaiso	2
2	Lowell	0
2	Highland	2
2	Lake Station	2
1	LaPorte	2
2	Chesterton	2
2	M.C. Rogers	2
2	Kankakee Valley	0
2	Munster	2
2	Bishop Noll	2
2	Merrillville	2
2	Calumet	0
2	Gavit	2
1	Hobart	2
2	Griffith	2

Portage Invitational

0	Munster	2
0	Gavit	2
0	Riley	2

Members of the girls' swim team gather together during a swim meet to raise their spirits by using team cheers. The cheers not only motivated swimmers, but also showed their good sportsmanship. A lot of the girls enjoyed using unusual cheers.

Girls' Swimming
Season Record 3-10

PHS		OPP
69	MC Rogers	102
70	Griffith	101
85	Crown Point	82
57	Chesterton	114
83	Lowell	88
59	Munster	109
65	Highland	105
87	Bishop Noll	83
58	Valparaiso	102
88	Griffith	82
47	Merrillville	119
6th	Conference	
63	LaPorte	108
69	Rensseelaer Central	98

Sophomore Holly Hopkins finishes first in the 100-yard free style against LaPorte opponent. Close finishes such as these were easy to detect, thanks to the recently installed electronic timing systems.



Sheryl Stanley, sr., performs a half twist dive during dual meet competition against Chesterton. "The girls' diving members did exceptionally well in dual meet competition," said Coach Dick Swisher.



Girl swimmers end 3-10, send one diver downstate

"Because of our lack of members, we really were not able to compete on the same level as other teams," said Coach Dick Swisher, "but, individually, every member of the team improved her time significantly from last year."

One of the outstanding performances was given by Angie Faidherbe, jr., who finished fourth in the state diving finals. Angie was also undefeated in dual meets and finished first in both sectionals and conference meets. Freshman Shelly Syperak made the state cut off time for the 100-yard butterfly, but did not qualify for the state meet during sectional competition.

Although the girls' swim team was far short of the ideal team size, the future looks promising as a result of outstanding performances by the underclass swimmers. "Next year the team should have some good swimmers coming up from AAU (Amateur Athletics

Union)," said Beth Allison, soph.

The Chesterton Trojans were one of Portage's toughest opponents. "Although small in number, every member of their team was a quality swimmer or diver," said Coach Swisher. Portage lost the meet, 114-57.

"Considering the size of the swimming team, I feel they did quite well," stated Lisa Wilkinson, sr. However, due to a lack of swimmers, the team's record was decreased to a minimum of wins. Senior Marian Lacey added, "I feel it went very good for the size of the team we had. We didn't win that many meets, but everyone improved greatly."

True, the girls' swim team was small, but their spirit overwhelmed their swim meets. "The prospect of more girls joining from AAU, next year, hopefully will result in bigger and better things," concluded Coach Swisher.



Junior Teri Renehan strokes to a tiring finish in the 200 yd. freestyle. Portage lost to Chesterton 114-57, after competing in one of the toughest meets of the season. All of the swimmers improved their times over last year.

Girls' Swimming — Front Row: Coach Dick Swisher, Ann Rose, Holly Hopkins, Beth Allison, Mickey Bumbales, Shelly Syperak, Michelle Fortner, Coach Debbie Swisher. **Back Row:** Lisa Wilkinson, Sheryl Stanley, Marian Lacey, Donna Liscum, Cheryl Elieff, Jackie Razus, Teri Renehan.



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Boys swim to a strong finish, end season 5-7

Boys' Swimming Season Record: 5-7

PHS		OPP
62	M.C. Elston	110
99	W...	70
93	Griffith	73
52	Merrillville	120
64	Highland	111
...	LaPorte	104½
63	Valparaiso	109
86	M.C. Rogers	85
105	Lowell	65
59	Chesterton	112
101	Rensselaer Central	70
68	Hobart	104

Munster Relay-5th
LaPorte Invitational-5th
Conference-6th
I.V. Conference-4th
Sectionals-5th

Freshman Steve Young swims the 100-yard butterfly during Duneland Conference competition. Steve finished in the top 12 in the conference meet. The swim team had more members because of underclass participation.

The boys' swim team improved its season over last year with a final record of five wins and seven losses in dual meets. "Despite losing experienced members due to lack of enthusiasm, we did compete well in meets and finished very strong this year as opposed to last year," said Bob Kasarda, sr.

Defeating two teams to which the swimmers had lost last year raised their record to a respectable finish. "Beating conference opponents Michigan City Rogers by one point was one of the more exciting meets of the season," said Mike Mulligan, jr. The Portage swimmers were also successful in numerous relay meets and invitationals. Finishing fifth in the LaPorte relays and dunking Crown Point for the first time were proof of their successful swim season. "We had never beaten Crown Point ever in any type of swimming contest," added Coach

Ralph Mundt.

Senior Dave Yaros and Rick Lewis, jr., both Portage divers, were the only members of the swim team to travel to Muncie and compete in the state swimming meet. Dave placed 12th, and Rick finished 18th. Bill Zoromski, sr., missed, by one second, the state cut-off time in the 100-yard freestyle during Sectionals. However, Bill finished third in the 100-yard freestyle at Sectionals.

"This year was the most competitive team on which I have ever participated," said Dave Yaros. Commenting on next year's swimming competition, Coach Mundt said, "Our outlook is good. We lost important people to graduation, but if we get a new group of first-year swimmers like this year, we will be in fine shape. We will be counting on constant improvement from our returning swimmers."

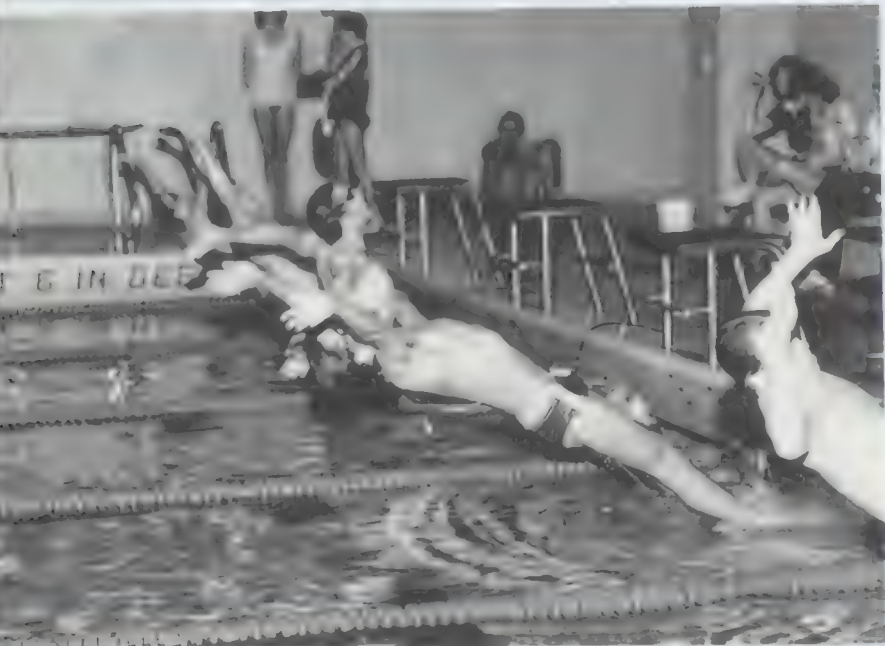
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Boys' Swimming — Front Row: Jeff Shinall, Scott Williams, Doug Schriener, Jeff Faulkner, Steve Young. **Row 2:** Tony Dujmovich, Dan Yates, Dan Reising, Ken Gale, Chris Pieroni, Randy Bowman, Coach Ralph Mundt. **Row 3:** Jay Beckham, Mike Mulligan, Guy Hadley, Kent Parker, Al Walker, Doug Reid, John Groves, Ron Junkin, Coach Bill Chappo. **Back Row:** Rick Lewis, Brian McMullen, Bob Kasarda, Lou Hensley, Bill Zoromski, Terry Trumble, Dave Yaros, Manager Rick Lowe.



Team photo



Guy Hadley, Jr., takes an early lead as he starts his 100-yard backstroke. Backstroke is often considered to be a slow stroke; however, it can become fast through hard practice, even faster than freestyle.

Taking time out of their busy practice schedule, Bob Kasarda and Bill Zoromski, sr., relieve their tensions. During this practice, the swim team was preparing for sectional final competition. Portage finished strong in sectionals, ranking fifth.

Concentration and good form are important when shooting for a winning score. Concentrating, Dave Yaros, sr., prepares for his next dive. Dave ranked twelfth in the Indiana state diving competition.



McMullen



Corey rates 13th of 50 at regionals

Golf is a team sport as well as an individual sport, commented girls' golf Coach Sharron Rose, and it can be played at almost any age.

Golf is different from most sports at PHS, in that the object is to have the lowest score. There are nine holes on the golf course. Each hole has a par, which states the ideal number of strokes it takes to move the ball from tee-off to the hole. The number of shots for each hole is then tabulated to form an accumulated game score. The person with the lowest score is the winner. In team competition, the five lowest scores are combined for a team score.

At Portage golf is utilized as a team sport, but it can also be an individual sport. It helps one to learn concentration and patience, as junior Pam Wayne stated, "One day, you can have a good day and then the next day, you may wish you'd never picked up a club."

One person who did an outstanding job during the 80-81 season was Jill Corey. Jill placed third in sectionals, which qualified her for regionals.

"I think we've improved quite a bit this year. We had a lot of potential on this team," Jill stated.

As the seasons end marked a 3-6 record, junior Lynn Giley remarked, "I think we've come a long way since a couple years ago when the record was 0-12." They attended sectionals and continued good standings by sending a member to regionals.



In the sixth of ten meets, Pam Wayne, jr., and Kara Evenson, soph., discuss their scores. The girls' golf meets and after-school practices were at Robbinhurst Golf Course on McCool Road.

Amy Skomp, soph., competes in a home meet. To letter, players were required to participate in 70 per cent of the meets and attend practices. Amy achieved this goal in her freshman and sophomore years.

Girls' Golf — Front Row: Lynn Giley, Jill Corey, Sue McEwan, Debby Flick. **Back Row:** Pam Wayne, Amy Skomp, Kara Evenson, Coach Sharron Rose.



Felter



Debby Flick, jr., lines up a putt in a non-conference meet against Knox. Flick's smile spread to the faces of other team members when they drove to a sixstroke victory of 217-223.

Senior Jill Corey sinks one of the many shots that established her as the team's Most Valuable Player. Jill placed third in sectionals. That qualified her to attend regionals, where she scored a 97 for 18 holes.

Girls' Golf		
Season record: 3-6		
PHS		OPP
214	New Prairie	227
235	Merrillville	224
225	Andean	212
227	Hobart	276
221	Knox	201
217	LaPorte	223
219	Chesterton	218
213	M. C. Rogers	118
LaPorte Invitational		11th

Boys' Tennis, Varsity
Season Record: 15-10

PHS		OPP
3	Hobart	2
2	S.B. Riley	3
5	Lake Central	1
4	Chesterton	1
	Highland	4
	Laf. Jefferson	5
2	Wm. Harrison	3
2	Merrillville	3
3	Crown Point	2
3	Valparaiso	2
3	Lowell	2
0	LaPorte	5
5	M.C. Rogers	0
4	Munster	1
2	Hobart	3
3	M.C. Elston	2
4	Chesterton	1
4	Griffith	1
3	Merrillville	1
	Valparaiso	4
0	LaPorte	5
4	River Forest	1
4	M.C. Rogers	1
Sectionals		
5	M.C. Marquette	0
1	Valparaiso	4



Danny Poshek, fresh., runs backcourt to continue the volley during one of his doubles matches. The JV team ended their season record with 14 wins, giving up only three losses.



Serving the ball to his opponent, Mike Frank, sr., plays one of his singles matches that contributed to the winning season. "Most of our singles players will return for another tough season," said Coach Rich Mason.

Boys' JV Tennis
Season Record: 14-3

PHS	OPP	PHS	OPP
5	Hobart	5	Lake Station
4	Chesterton	5	Hobart
3	Highland	5	M.C. Elston
3	Wm. Harrison	3	Chesterton
4	Merrillville	5	Merrillville
4	Crown Point	5	LaPorte
2	Valparaiso	5	Lake Station
3	LaPorte	4	M.C. Rogers
3	M.C. Rogers		

Netmen improve record, finish top ten in district

"Tennis season never ends," seemed to be the feeling of all tennis players.

Considerable improvement was shown over last year's final record, said Coach Rich Mason. "Better attitude" and "hard workers" resulted in a record-breaking season.

"Stronger singles play led to our improved record over last year," said sr. Mike Frank. Mike seemed to dominate the courts for the varsity singles spot, leading the rest of his teammates.

Topping last year's record, with 15 wins and only 10 losses, the varsity team was constantly being backed up by the winning attitude of Ray Collins and Steve Frank, jrs. Coach Mason said Ray was as strong as any player in the conference meet. "With the help of Coach Mason's winter program, our varsity hopefuls should progress rapidly," Ray added. Beating last year's singles record, held

by his brother Mike, Steve ended the season with 12 wins, 12 losses.

"We had an excellent JV team this year," said Rich Hallman, soph. Surpassing the varsity record for 1980, the JV team ended its season with 14 wins and three losses.

Sophomore Rodney Cook is a team hopeful for years to come, said Coach Mason. After picking up a racket just last summer, Rodney amazed his teammates with a record of 19 wins and only six losses. Following Rodney was fresh. Mike Pocza, who went undefeated for the whole tennis season until one of the last meets against rival LaPorte.

The team will have the edge over others next year, with six of seven members returning. With an overall team record of 15-10, Coach Mason concluded, "The prospects are good for next year; they are outstanding."



Sophomore Rodney Cook carefully returns a volley to his Merrillville opponent. Portage played the Pirates in one of the closest matches of the season. The netmen went on to a victory, finishing 3-2.

Boys' Varsity Tennis — John Groves, Steve Frank, Rodney Cook, Greg Buckner, Ray Collins, Mike Frank, Dave Hibbs, Dave Kiefer.

Boys' JV Tennis — **Front Row:** Roger Hensley, Low-eli Bengeral, Danny Poshek, Mike Pocza. **Back Row:** Nick Falatic, Rob Hardesty, Kevin Poshek, Coach Stan Randolph, Tim Fitzgerald, Joe Smith, Rich Hallman.



Senior Jill Corey attempts to block an opponent's pass. Jill, a three-year letterman, tied a school record with 10 assists in one game. She also set a school record for most assists during the season, with 89.



Girls' Varsity Basketball
Season Record: 14-6

PHS	OPP			
54	Lew Wallace	41	57	Lake Station
40	Calumet	33	59	M.C. Rogers
35	Chesterton	66	46	LaPorte
72	Hebron	27		Valparaiso Tourney-3rd
84	Washington Twp.	39	45	Valparaiso
45	Hammond Gavit	37	41	Lake Central
53	Merrillville	52		Portage Tourney-2nd
62	River Forest	29	54	Hammond Morton
53	Highland	42	49	Bishop Noll
51	Hobart	52		Sectionals
25	Valparaiso	38	71	Hebron
			34	Chesterton
				37

Girls' Basketball, JV — Front Row: Diana Maceri, Sue Propsom, Kathy Doege, Sandy Wampler. **Row 2:** Barb Fagen, Cheryl Wetklow, Chelisha Stambaugh, Dawn Wright. **Back Row:** Coach Renee McGaffic, Raunda Fisher, Sharon Czasasty, Penny Shepherd, Sue Fitch, Manager Chris Webb.

Girls' Basketball, Varsity — Coach Bernita Adkins, Karen Allison, Chris Jensen, Sarah Lowe, Paula Papich, Jill Corey, Pam Rahfeldt, Leslie Wilson, Lynne Wisneski, Rhonda McCausland, Brenda Clark, Manager Chris Webb.



Chelsie "Shush" Stambaugh, right, looks to gain control of the ball from the opponent. "Shush" helped her JV teammates complete the comeback by being the leading scorer with 22 points. She also set a team record of 22 points in a game.

Cheesetown nips Indians in sectionals

Girls' basketball was on the upswing this season with records of 14-6 for varsity, and 12-5 for JV. Varsity Coach Bernita Adkins commented, "What made our team this year was ten girls who liked each other and wanted to play ball and gave everything they had to the team."

"I think we had a good year; we surprised a lot of people. There weren't any conflicts between players, but injuries hurt us a lot," added Paula Papich, sr.

JV Coach Renee McGaffic expressed, "This season was a nice surprise. At try outs I didn't think there was a whole lot of talent, which goes to show how much desire the girls had to play." The only real stumbling block for JV was lack of height. Coach McGaffic attributed the winning season to "bench talent", which was the ability to put any team member in the game and get good results.

Throughout the season, injuries and sickness plagued varsity. Coach Adkins added an optimistic note by saying, "More kids got playing time." Junior Brenda Clark added, "I think we would have gone farther if it wasn't for injuries."

Both teams competed well in tournaments. Varsity brought home a second and a third, and JV brought home a third. Varsity was edged out by Chesterton in sectionals, 37-34.

Girls' JV Basketball Season Record: 12-5

PHS		OPP
25	Lew Wallace	27
24	Calumet	20
35	Chesterton	33
39	Hebron	13
43	Washington Twp.	17
29	Hammond Gavit	28
22	Merrillville	32
48	River Forest	15
46	Portage Christian	3
27	Highland	26
31	Hobart	22
28	Valparaiso	35
34	Lake Station	26
26	M.C. Rogers	31
31	LaPorte	44
LaPorte JV Tourney — 3rd		
41	Valparaiso	48
47	LaPorte	44

Paula "Poola" Papich, sr., is comforted by Coach Renee McGaffic, assistant John Swab, and teammate Sarah Lowe. Poola's dislocated elbow resulted from a fall which put her on the sidelines for four games. Paula then came back for sectionals.



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Junior Kevin Mackey drives past a Merrillville player during an intense basketball game. The Pirates, conference opponents, were upset by two points. Kevin was the leading Indian scorer with a game average of 19 points.

Boys' Varsity Basketball — Front Row: Ed Wiltse, Kevin Mackey, Brian Sutherland, Brian Binder, Dave Stanisc, Bill Pendleton, Mike Wozniak.
Back Row: Coach Myron Fessler, Greg Weaver, Nathan Tumblin, Glenn DeVries, Bob Jones, Dave Brown, Tim McCabe, Coach Greg Kirby.



Boys' basketball places second in area conference

The boys' basketball team dribbled to an 11-12 season. Despite a less-than-50 per cent average, they placed second in the Duneland Conference.

Brian Sutherland, jr., commented, "We had a slow start due to lack of experience of some players and the lack of playing together. Our record was 11-12, but I think we were the best 11-12 team in the area."

The basketball team finished well in the Duneland Conference, winning four out of the six conference games. This record put the Indians in second place, "the best record of a PHS team in the history of the conference," added Coach Greg Kirby. During conference competition, Portage unexpectedly upset both Merrillville and Michigan City Rogers.

In two sectional playoff games, the Indians downed both Washington Township and River Forest, but were put out of sectional competition in the final game against Valparaiso. "The area was

particularly strong this year," said Coach Kirby. However, the Indians did improve their season record.

Next year, Coach Kirby believes that the team will be better. Kevin Mackey, Glenn DeVries, Brian Sutherland and Brian Binder will all be returning for another year of play. Kevin Mackey, jr., said, "I think next year the basketball team will be one of the better teams in the area. Improvement will be shown in the win-loss column and in bench strength." Kevin was the leading scorer with 19 points per game.

Greg Weaver, sr., captain of the team, added, "There were many team goals this season, but the main one was to get a good chemistry and good teamwork between the starters. As the year rolled on a good chemistry formed and we played very effectively together."

"Our final goal was to play up to our potential. This team come as close as was possible," concluded Coach Kirby.

Boys' Varsity Basketball Season Record: 11-12

PHS		OPP
68	Calumet	58
50	Kankakee Valley	80
58	Lake Station	63
67	Knox	69
58	Andean	71
60	Lowell	55
53	Bishop Noll	70
68	Morton	80
74	Hobart	61
50	LaPorte	66
52	Hammond High	74
50	Chesterton	46
61	Highland	73
72	Valparaiso	80
44	Merrillville	42
70	Hammond Clark	57
87	M.C. Rogers	86
73	M.C. Elston	74
65	Lake Central	59
72	Crown Point	58
Conference-2nd		
Sectionals:		
98	Washington Twp.	67
45	River Forest	44



Shooting a jump shot past Lake Central opponents
Greg Weaver, sr., waits for the ball to sink through the basket as his teammates look on. Portage defeated the Lake Central Indians, 65-59, helping improve the record to 11-12.

Hoping that the ball will fall their way,
Portage teammates wait for Brian Binder, jr., to get a good tip on the ball. Portage upset several conference opponents and continued on to the sectional final.

JV hoopeters finished 9-11, take second in conference

The JV basketball squad finished the 80-81 season with 9-11 record and missed winning the Duneland Conference by three points. Coach Marv Allison said, "We lost to Merrillville by one point and LaPorte by two. Aside from those two games, we finished 4-2 in the conference, good for second place."

Coach Allison said sophomores Bill Pendleton, Tim McCabe, Dave Brown, Rodney Cook, Kevin Cardenas, and John Pappas had outstanding seasons and grew as basketball players as a result of their participation in varsity practices and games. The six plus Glenn Hentz, soph., had previously participated on the JV level as freshmen. Sophomore Scott Matesic explained, "We had a good season, I felt, because our coach helped to work and guide us to be a better team."

A big accomplishment in the JV area was its victory over undefeated Hammond Noll and its upset over Valparaiso. According to Coach Allison, Hammond High was their biggest rival. "They were much bigger and quicker than us." Sophomore Rodney Cook said, "I think we definitely had a good season. We lost a couple of games, by a few points, that we could have won."

Sophomore Dave Brown added, "I think we had a good season but we should have won more games and learned to play together better."

Coach Allison concluded, "Our final goal was to prepare our sophomores for succesful varsity careers and upgrade the level of basketball play in our program. We feel we made some strides in this area."



Boys' Basketball, JV — Front Row: Dan Mulvihill, Mike Brown, Jerry Paterson, Billy Pendleton, Gary Beasley, Rodney Cook, Gary Evans, Glenn Hentz.

Back Row: Coach Myron Fessler, Mark Lewis, Mike Mackiewicz, Kevin Cardenas, Tim McCabe, Dave Brown, John Pappas, Scott Matesic, Mike Highlan, Coach Marv Allison.

Scott Matesic, soph., goes in for a lay-up to try to bring the Indians to a victory. Even though the hoopsters lost the match, overall they outscored their opponents with seasonal totals of 1,002 total points to 968.





Boy's JV Basketball
9-11

PHS		OPP
52	Calumet	33
46	Kankakee Valley	51
52	Lake Station	35
52	Knox	49
43	Andean	47
40	Lowell	49
56	Bishop Noll	44
53	Morton	56
46	Hobart	40
60	LaPorte	64
37	Highmond High	48
48	Chesterton	47
50	Highland	61
63	Valparaiso	56
47	Merrillville	48
60	Hammond Clark	48
43	M.C. Rogers	41
56	M.C. Elston	63
54	Lake Central	73
40	Crown Point	47



Mark Lewis, soph., goes up for the jump ball against the Lake Central Indians. PHS was defeated by Lake Central, 73-54, in this non-conference match. Coach Allison said the quality of the team improved from the first through the sixteenth player.

Dave Brown, soph., shoots for a two-pointer during play against Lake Central. Dave shot 50 per cent from the field during this court match-up. He also scored nine total points for the game and 82 points for the season.

Gymnasts qualify for state meet

Three weeks of pre-season conditioning, containing a lot of work to build strength and flexibility, produced a 9-4 season for the gymnastics team.

The 1980-81 team didn't set any outstanding records, but, "The girls did a good job," Coach Bev Ross decided. "However, I think that illness during the season had a big effect on our record as well as the strength and endurance during our performances," she continued.

Most gymnasts agreed that the season required lots of hard work which paid off in the end. Junior Kim Allen commented, "Our team was unified and aggressive and lots of fun. It was also lots of work, but it was worth it."

Junior Kathy Hamilton added, "We stuck together as a team. I'm looking forward to next year, with the hopes of improving."

Twelve girls were picked for the team, including two freshmen. They worked on equipment according to their talents. At meets, they were judged on the intermediate or optional routines that they had prepared. Optional routines were worked out by the individuals who performed them, with help from the coaches. "I think that this year has been terrific. Everyone on the team gets along good and we have a lot of fun," commented Carrie Lewis, soph.

Coaches Bev Ross and Bev Reynolds both agreed that next year's goals are to have better depth on the optional team, to have an undefeated season and to win the conference.

Team members who qualified and attended state were Mary Barkowski and Tammy Sutherland, srs., Kim Allen, jr., and Carrie Lewis, soph.



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Rose O'Malley, Carrie Lewis, and Laurie Cavarretta, sophs, took part in the gymnastic teams' initiation breakfast at the South Haven McDonalds. Each girl was notified by the coach the night before that she made the team and how to dress.

Kim Allen, jr., dismounts from the beam as she finishes her intermediate routine. Each routine is from 1 minute to 1 minute and 30 seconds. Timing starts when the gymnast touches the beam and stops when her feet make contact with the floor.

Freshman Michele Sheriff warms up for her intermediate floor routine against LaPorte. Floor routines are performed to a musical accompaniment that is designed to personalize the routine for the gymnast.





Cassie Malinoff is a senior and senior year.

Gymnastics Season Record: 9-4

OPT		INT
won	Wheeler	won
won	Lake Station	won
won	Munster	won
won	M.C. Elston	won
won	LaPorte	won
lost	Crown Point	lost
won	Hobart	won
won	Highland	lost
lost	Chesterton	won
won	Lowell	won
lost	Valparaiso	lost
won	Merrillville	lost
won	M.C. Rogers	
Portage Opt. Meet — 4th		
Conference — 4th		
Sectionals — 2nd		



The mascot

Gymnastics — Cassie Malinoff, Darlene Rospierski, Michele Sheriff, Kim Allen, Kristi Swerdon, Mary Barkowski, Cathy Hamilton, Laurie Cavarretta, Tammy Sutherland, Donna Bedalow, Carrie Lewis, Rose O'Malley.

Wrestlers win three area tourneys

The wrestling team depended mostly on their heavyweight classes this year, as they finished the season, 3-5.

"The lighter weights came through for us, but we counted on our heavy weights,"

said Coach Bruce Sheriff. Team members who should have filled in the lower weight classes, did not go out for the wrestling team this year. Despite having no participant in the 185 weight class, five of the dual meets were lost by four or fewer points.

Although they suffered tough losses in their dual meets, they stunned other area teams by winning two major tourneys. "The team performed well in tournaments, winning Hammond High, Culver Military and

placing third in the 24-team Crown Point tournament," said Chuck Torrez, sr.

Sophomore Doug Hanauer said that their goal was "to win the Duneland conference.

We have a lot of good people leaving the team, but we have good people returning, also." Joe York, jr., was successful in defeating all of his opponents in dual meets with a winning record of 28 wins and one loss. Joe also went on to compete in semi-state.

Mike Sheriff, sr., said that "we did not do very well" in the Duneland conference, "because we did not work up to our potential." The Portage matmen placed seventh in the Duneland conference.

Their conference opponents were tough in

all the weight classes. Senior Bryan Dooley was the only wrestler from Portage to wrestle in the 167 weight class, "which was awfully tough to compete in," added Coach Sheriff. "Next year we hope to improve in dual meets and end up stronger in the Duneland conference."

The goal of both Coach Sheriff and Coach Tom Levandoski was to keep underclassmen interested in wrestling. "We have a good opportunity to give the kids experience," concluded Coach Sheriff.

Mike Sheriff, sr., competes against a Valparaiso wrestler during a dual meet. Mike was the captain of the wrestling team and was a Duneland conference champion. Portage placed seventh in the Duneland conference.



Chuck Torrez, waits for the referee to start the match as he faces a Valparaiso wrestler. The Indians lost three dual meets by only three or four points. However, they did defeat Valparaiso with a score of 30-24.



The referee shows that **Doug Hanauer**, soph., has won his match by pinning his opponent. Doug will be returning next year for wrestling competition along with other sophomore teammates. There were 34 members on the wrestling team.



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Senior Tony Reyes tries to pin a Valparaiso wrestler by "riding" him. The key to pinning one's opponent successfully, usually depends on how many moves one knows. Swiftness and skill are also contributing factors.



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Wrestling — Front Row: Bill Beattie, Mike Whitlow, Ken McCausland, David Goodman, Kevin Bonick, Dan Taylor, Victor Castellanos, Tony Reyes. **Row 2:** Doug Hanauer, John Messina, Robert Hardesty, Chuck Torrez, Bryan Dooley, Jim Reyes, Joe York, Tim Bonick, David Stanley. **Row 3:** John Stahura, Michael Evans, Rich

Gunter, Rich Spicer, Dave Tarpo, Mark Baker, Dave Cornett, Eric Kurtz, Coach Tom Levandoski. **Back Row:** Coach Bruce Sheriff, Mike Sheriff, Mitch Hilton, Mike McDonald, Jeff Whitlow, Dave Donnelly, Dan Williams, Tony Gonzalez, Scott Borucki.

Wrestling Season record: 3-5

PHS		OPP
27	Calumet	28
16	Hobart	36
25	Merrillville	29
30	Valparaiso	24
29	LaPorte	31
34	Chesterton	28
30	Mish. Marion	21
21	M.C. Rogers	37

Hammond High Tourney — 1st
Crown Point Tourney — 4th
Culver Tourney — 1st

Girls' track ranks sixth in conference

The girls' track team may have been ranked only sixth of seven in Duneland Conference, but they made much improvement in collecting more depth in distance, breaking school records and qualifying more people for sectionals than ever before. The team sent 14 people plus subs, said Coach Paula Wiese. This result wasn't easy to achieve. Loraine McMullen, soph., commented, "The practices were harder, and there was more competition."

A good point for the team was the abundance of sophomores to return for following seasons. "I think we had a good year. We had a lot of sophomores, which will be good for next year, though we'll miss our seniors," said Mary Mendoza, soph.

LaPorte and Merrillville were the girls' toughest rivals in conference, noted Coach Wiese. Also, Chesterton and Hobart were rivals for conference wins. The girls beat Hobart, said Mrs. Wiese, but both dual meets with Chesterton and Hobart were close.

Outstanding accomplishments for the team were many broken records. Chris Jensen, jr., broke her own 1600m run and 800m run records. Chelisha Stambaugh, soph., tied Linda Tarpo's 1980 100m dash record, and set a new long jump record of 14' 4.5". Senior Janet English set a new high jump record of 5'3". The team also qualified all three relay teams for sectionals, which was another first. Sophomore Holly Anderson concluded, "I did not do as well as I wanted to, but I met a lot of new people and learned some tips on my events."

Girls' Track
Season Record: 5-6

PHS		OPP
47	Chesterton	58
29	Merrillville	76
49	Hobart	56
33	Valparaiso	72
24	La Porte	80
41 1/2	Andean	54
61 1/2	Wirt	18 1/2
61	Gavit	44
68	Rogers	37
37	Gary Roosevelt	72
37	Munster	25



Pulling ahead, Chelisha "Slush" Stambaugh, soph., breaks across the finish line seconds ahead of a Hobart runner. Slush ran the 100 meter dash against Hobart in 14.15 seconds, which qualified her for sectionals.

Sheila Piasecki, sr., executes one of her three allotted trail jumps. The contestants with the longest jumps qualify as finalists. Each finalist is awarded three more jumps. Sheila's best jump against Hobart was 12 feet 7 1/4 inches.



Girls' Track — Front Row: Donna Bachar, Teresa Valentine, Trish Higgins, Donna Sharp, Laura Holok, Janet English, Amy Roach, Sherri Holland. **Row 2:** Glenda Hollifield, Karen Nicolosi, Holly Anderson, Chris Webb, Laurie Gaza, Robin Hagan, Loraine McMullen, Karen Allison, Sheila Nolting, student teacher. **Row 3:** Coach Renee McGaffic, Debbie Sistanich, mgr., Sandy Wampler, Rhonda McCausland, Mary Bengero, Kara Evenson, Chelisha Stambaugh, Holly Hopkins, Missy Grutsch, Coach Paula Wiese. **Back Row:** Anne Spisak, Mary Mendoza, Sheila Piasecki, Mary Ann Sizemore, Sue Fitch, Sharon Czazasty, Sarah Lowe, Chris Jensen, Chris Melton.

Sophomore Mary Bengero prepares to throw the shot put. Mary threw the 8.4 pound shot 24'5", her personal best at that point in the season. The Indians lost this conference meet to the to the Brickies, 49-56.

Wind, rain and frigid temperatures were some of the drawbacks dealt with by the track team throughout the season as shown by a blanketed Janet English, sr. Janet jumped 5'2" against Gavitt, breaking two school records she previously set.



Starting off, Dan Roach, sr., pulls ahead of a Valparaíso opponent soon after the start of the 400 meter dash. Dan holds the record for the 400 meter dash, which was previously held by Russel Lemmons.

Steve Homme, sr., takes the lead away from a Valparaíso runner. Steve is followed by Dave Mulvihill, sr., and Doug Collins, jr. Steve won the race, but the Portage runners lost the meet by one point, 64-63.

Junior Mark Fischer leaps for a winning score against rival Valparaíso. Besides competing in the long jump competition, Mark also ran various running races as did other runners. Portage finished 3rd in the Duneland Conference.



Boys' Track — Front Row: Garry McWaters, Bill Lundy, Ken McCausland, Charlie Brown, Ben Samano, Don Ramsay, Mark Fischer, Mike Alvarez, Scott Cairns, Jamie Spanier, Bret Pete, Dale Dahlgren, Pete Propsom, Jim Colley, Kevin Huber, Bob Abell. **Row 2:** Dan Mulvihill, Jack Hughes, Greg Papich, Charles Harlan, Tim Spisak, Troy Neihardt, Dave Yaros, Mike Whitlow, Jeff Emmons, Mike Carroll, Doug Collins, Dave Valentine, Dan Newton, Mike Webber, Tim Massey, Art Kenworthy. **Back Row:** Bob Courtney, Steve Homme, Jeff Stulich, Scott Schuler, Ed Wiltse, Jim Valentine, Chad Kostel, Scott Ribar, Eric Blake, Ken Kostel, Rick Redman, Dan Roach, Dan Merrill, Lance Erickson, Rick Grutsch, John White, Greg Bumbales, Jeff Veach, Rob Jones.



Boys' track qualifies one for state

The boys' track team again succeeded in sending a member to the state track meet and in qualifying six members and a relay team for the regional meet.

It was Coach Bill Wilke's goal "to get someone to the state meet." Senior Steve Homme competed in the 3200 meter run. Steve was the regional and sectional champion. "The most exciting part of the season was qualifying for the state meet, along with qualifying the six runners and the relay team for regionals," said Steve.

The team competed well in dual meets, also. Chad Kostel, sr., said, "The team did as well as it could against the other teams in the area, but some untimely injuries and illnesses prevented us from performing to our potential." However, "we showed improvement in the field events," said Coach Wilke.

Jack Hughes, jr., jumped 6'5" in the high jump for the school record. Jack not only broke the school record for the high jump, but also finished first in Duneland Conference. Coach Wilke added, "We also had equal or better relays, especially the 4 x 400 relay," which we ran in the regional meet. Jeff Veach, sr., and Mike Webber, jr., also competed well in seasonal competition. Jeff finished the season undefeated in Duneland Conference in both the 100 and 200 yard sprint, while Mike set a school record and finished as the sectional champion in the 800 meter run.

Senior Jeff Veach finished first in the 100 yard dash, as he crossed the finish line first. The other runners were in a tight pack. We are proud of the team's performance in the Duneland Conference.

Jack Hughes, jr., jumped over the high jump bar for the school record. He set the record at 6'5". Jack is the first runner from the team to be selected to compete in the state meet. I will be proud to represent the team with the team's record in the high jump.

Boys' Track		
Season record: 11-4		
PHS		OPP
33	Lake Central	34
33	Gary Roosevelt	81
62	Bishop Noll	49
62	Hammond Tech.	20
73	Calumet	33½
73	Lowell	34
73	Highland	28
73	Andean	48½
57	LaPorte	39
50	Chesterton	77
76	Merrillville	51
83	Hobart	44
62	Valparaiso	65
73	LaPorte	54
84	M.C. Rogers	43
91	Lake Station	36
Chesterton relays-2nd		
Conference-4th		
Sectional-2nd		

Four travel to sectional quarter finals

The girls' tennis pre-season preparation techniques included six weeks of Nautilus, exercise and two miles of running a day. This regimen was designed to teach the girls "to learn not only to play like winners, but to think like winners and develop a winning attitude for the team as a whole," hoped Coach Kathy Houpt.

The team's toughest rival was LaPorte, to which they lost 7-0. An outstanding accomplishment for the girls was the close 4-3 victories over Calumet and Griffith.

Sophomore Julie Sampson returns a serve fired to her during warmups. New additions to the team were the coaches. They were Mrs. Sue Hines, a special education/math teacher at Grissom, and Mrs. Kathy Houpt, a foreign language teacher from Aylesworth.

Two-year letterman Rosemary Kos, sr., returns a forehand to her Lowell opponent. Rosemary and three-year letterman Laura Peterson, sr., teamed up for doubles and advanced to the quarter final sectional competition in LaPorte.

The team also sent seniors Lisa Wilkinson and Marian Lacey for singles to sectionals. Seniors Rosemary Kos and Laura Peterson teamed up as did Suzy Kaiser, jr., and Tina Thielbar, soph., for doubles at sectionals. All four made it to the quarter finals of the sectional competition. Rosemary Kos, sr., commented, "We had a lot of fun. We worked good as a team, and we had really good coaching."

This year's team had some changes from previous seasons. Mrs. Kathy Houpt and

Mrs. Sue Hines, both teachers from other Portage schools, became the coaches. Coach Houpt said, "It's hard to select any individual who stood out above the others, but the team will lose five valuable seniors. We do have some promising returnees."

One of the team captains, Laura Peterson, sr., added, "This was more of a building up season with our new coaches, who did a great job. We had fun and I hope they do even better next year."

Girls' JV Tennis
Season Record: 7-2-1

PHS		OPP
2	Crown Point	2
4	Gavit	1
1	Culver	1
5	Valparaiso	2
4	Chesterton	3
6	Calumet	1
6	Hobart	1
4	Merrillville	3
6	Rogers	1
1	LaPorte	6

Girls' Varsity Tennis
Season Record: 5-10

PHS		OPP
6	Knox	1
4	Griffith	3
5	Boone Grove	2
7	Marquette	1
1	Crown Point	6
3	Gavit	4
1	Culver	6
1	Valparaiso	7
1	Chesterton	7
4	Calumet	3
1	Lake Station	6
1	Hobart	7
3	Merrillville	4
1	Rogers	6
0	LaPorte	7





Girls' Tennis — Front Row: Darcy McCormick, Lisa Wilkinson, Rosemary Kos, Marian Lacey, Laura Peterson. **Row 2:** Michele Klein, Erica Okone, Dede Illagio, Natalie Roknich, Marcia Millington, Julie Sampson, Tina Thielbar. **Back Row:** Coach Kathy Houpt, Lori Greavu, Dede Bettis, Lynn Giley, Suzy Kaiser, Rhonda Ard, Karen Creager, Sophie Badillo, Coach Sue Hines.



During warm ups, Darcy McCormick is practicing her backhand. This season, the tennis players have not been playing as much. All week, most of the time, they played on TV and never made a winning shot. This day made the difference.



Suzy Kaiser, jr., volleys the ball over the net during a match against Lowell. Suzy has played varsity tennis since she was a sophomore. A wrist injury midway through the season put Suzy out of action temporarily.



Will Robbins, sr., watches his golf ball fly through the air, hoping that it will land near a hole. All of the home matches were played at Robbinhurst golf course, conveniently located near the high school.

Boys' Golf — Front Row: Tony Aydelotte, Gary Beasley, Lloyd Richter, Gary Filipas. **Back Row:** Dave Stanisic, Ron Klinger, Russ Rambo, Will Robbins, Mike Mendoza, Coach Mike Lemond.

Junior Ron Klinger hits a golf ball with a wide sweeping cut. Ron's stance is typical of most golfers. Such poise enable the golfer to follow the ball easily with his eyes and also get the right amount of distance needed.



Golfers gain best record since '60

The boys' golf team drove past all previous records with the best season since 1960. The final record was 10-6.

Coach Mike Lemond said that "stronger overall depth was shown with eight players who had an average of +10 over par or less for the season." The team also had the best finishing record in the Duneland Conference since the team began. However, their record did not end there. They were undefeated outside of the Duneland Conference and had the first winning season for the junior varsity team in the school's history. Senior Will Robbins added, "The individual effort of each team member was the best it has been in years, and this year's record shows that improvement." Coach Lemond said that the team was not only the most well-balanced one in years, but most of the players were medalists in amateur at one time or another.

Competing as one of the top ten teams in the Lake-Porter counties area, Ron Klinger, jr., said, "Our conference, 5-6, was not as good, but our overall record, 10-6, showed that we have some maximum golfers."

Coach Lemond expects to do extremely well next year. "Since we only lose one player, we will hopefully do better. Next year, we will be more ready for sectionals," said Gary Beasley, soph.

Boys' Golf* Season record: 10-6

PHS		OPP
170	Chesterton	177
161	M.C. Rogers	170
159	Merrillville	157
167	Andrean	194
159	Boone Grove	167
180	Valparaiso	164
160	Hobart	176
162	River Forest	254
154	LaPorte	152
160	Chesterton	171
175	Lake Station	230
171	M.C. Rogers	159
179	Merrillville	174
153	Valparaiso	160
159	Hobart	185
158	LaPorte	155

Rensselaer Central Invitational-12th

LaPorte Invitational-18th

Lake Central Invitational-10th

Sectional-5th

* low score wins



Pitcher Jim Geary, jr., fires the ball past the Wirt batter. Jim pitched five innings for PHS, bringing them to victory. Jim struck out 9, walked 5, and gave up 2 earned runs. The Indians had only 2 strike outs, 7 walks and 5 stolen bases.

Junior Greg Dillon concentrates on the oncoming pitch. In this game Greg was a designated hitter, with two base hits. Tom McDaniels, jr., and Mark Francesconi and Rob Johnson, srs., all tied for the most base hits against Wirt, with two apiece.



Rounding up one of the ten runs scored by the Indians is Ron Wenzel, sr. In this non-conference match, Coach Levandoski's ball club hammered Gary Wirt, 10-2. Beside the regular season games, the team also competed in the Crown Point Classic.





Baseball, Varsity — Front Row: Jim Geary, Rick Hanson, Rich Spicer, Tom McDaniel, Bill Nolan, John Groves, Ron Wenzel, Ron Nabhan. **Back Row:** Mike Palmer; mangr., Rob Johnson, Scott Senour, Charlie McGee, Greg Dillon, Jim Bulva, Dave Stanley, Tony Milevsky, Mark Francesconi, Coach Tom Levandoski.

Protection against injuries important for baseball

Sprained ankles, black eyes and broken thumbs are some of the hazards of baseball. Spiked shoes, hard bats and fast moving balls are all potentially dangerous. Manger-trainer Mike Palmer said, "Catchers are the most likely to get injured because they get nailed by a ball coming off the bat."

The varsity baseball team started training progressively in January so that the players would be in shape and, therefore, be less likely to get hurt during baseball season.

Some of the precautions taken against injuries are required. For example, to keep bats from sliding from a player's hand, metal bats have a rubber grip. Catchers have to wear shin guards, a mask and chest protectors. Similarly, a batter must wear a hard helmet when he is up to bat or on base. In order to protect their arms, pitchers are allowed

to pitch only ten innings in 72 hours. It is illegal for a fielder to make a fake tag because the runner might slide unnecessarily. As well as the required rules, a good coach teaches his team to use standard safety techniques, according to varsity baseball Coach Thomas Levandoski. "Runners are taught to slide correctly so they don't hurt themselves or the fielders," he explained.

Runners are also taught to hit the outside of the base with the first foot that arrives. Among other things, fielders are taught to use proper footwork and to avoid collisions with fences and other players. Coach Levandoski said, "The coach is concerned with safety obviously, because if your starters get hurt, you've got to replace them with a lesser player, and then the quality of your club diminishes."

Two-year letterman Tony Milevsky, sr., catches the ball thrown by pitcher Jim Geary in an attempted pick off play. The Indians collected ten runs, four hits, seven walks, five stolen bases, 15 putouts and only two errors.

Varsity Baseball Season Record: 16-17

PHS		OPP
4	Griffith	1
6	Lowell	1
2	Lowell	5
2	Merrillville	9
4	Munster	5
3	Valparaiso	6
5	Hobart	1
5	Wheeler	4
3	LaPorte	4
2	Chesterton	5
10	Wirt	2
	Rogers	6
4	Merrillville	3
	Andean	12
5	Valparaiso	1
10	Lew Wallace	1
12	Lew Wallace	2
2	Hobart	1
3	LaPorte	7
	Chesterton	9
	Andean	3
10	Rogers	1
4	Munster	5
10	Calumet	3
9	Calumet	6
2	Roosevelt	4
14	Roosevelt	3
Crown Point Classic		
2	Roosevelt	4
4	West Side	3



J.V. baseball 10-8; coach compliments team

With the tourney included, the JV baseball team had a winning record of 10-8.

"I thought we might win a few more games, but I think things went pretty much as we expected," said Coach John Hutton.

Five of the team's games were lost by only one run. Coach Hutton commented, "We would have liked to have won a few more of those close games, but we are pleased with what we accomplished."

He added that finishing as strong as they did was one of the team's most

outstanding accomplishments. He also mentioned that since last year the team has improved in outfield play and team speed.

The coach commended Mike Brown for an exceptional pitching job, Brown and Rod Cook for their hitting, and John Pappas for his leadership qualities.

Coach Hutton spoke optimistically about the future. "I believe that next year's varsity team will be a well-represented ball club."

JV Baseball Season record: 10-6-1

PHS		OPP
3	Griffith	4
3	Merrillville	4
4	Valparaiso	6
10	Hobart	9
5	LaPorte	5
2	Chesterton	7
8	M.C. Rogers	5
7	Andean	6
3	Merrillville	4
7	Andean	1
12	Valparaiso	1
15	Hobart	13
3	LaPorte	13
1	Chesterton	3
14	River Forest	3
13	M.C. Rogers	3
12	Edison	2



Sophomore Mike Brown fires the baseball toward an Andean batter. Hopefully, the ball went past the batter instead of being hit. The JV team defeated the Andean 59ers in one of two games played.

JV Baseball—Front Row: Mark Dye, Tim Perry, Doug Hanauer, Jeff Millikan, Kevin Carpenter, Gary Evans. **Row 2:** Mike Brown, Chris Allen, Mike Replin, Rod Cook, Kevin Cardenas, Mark Czazasty. **Back Row:** Coach Tom Taylor, Darrell Wilder, Kevin Mixell, James Haburjak, John Pappas, Chris Doell, Coach John Hutton.





Watching the fly ball, Darrell Wilder, soph., waits for the ball to fall beyond the reach of his opponents, in hope of reaching the base safely. Portage defeated the Andean 49er's by a seven-point margin, 8-1.



Jeff Millikan, soph., readies to throw the baseball to his fellow teammate during a season game. The high school baseball field was not finished in time to be used by the JV team, forcing them to play at Aylesworth.

Junior Sue "Proppy" Propsom awaits the pitch from the opposing pitcher. Proppy, a two-year letterman, had the highest batting average for the season with a .619. The Indians won in a close battle with the Pirates, 10-7.

As the pitcher concentrates on releasing the ball, third baseman Lisa Cardenas, sr., readies herself for play. Lisa was 1 for 3 in batting in this game against Marquette and led the team in stolen bases for the season.

Julie Schultz, jr., pitches the ball to a Merrillville batter. Out of the 62 total batters faced this season, Julie walked 10 and struck out 4. In this game Julie was relieved by senior Leslie Wilson who faced 58, walking 8 and striking out 15.





Softball gets second year experience

The softball team was a young club, only in its second year of existence. Try outs were called in the spring, and twenty to twenty-five girls from freshmen to seniors came to try out. Sixteen girls were kept for the season roster.

The softball schedule was expanded this season to eight games, then reduced to six with the failure of Portage Christian to produce a team. Rhonda Eagen, soph., commented, "I think we had a very successful season, but they should get more schools involved and have sectionals and regionals."

The team practiced each afternoon after school, weather permitting, and occasionally practiced inside the gym. They were drilled by Coach Connie Milner on base running, fielding, defensive plays, batting and throwing. Coach Milner is a math teacher at Grissom Middle School. Many of the girls also play for Portage Jr. Miss and South Haven summer softball programs, which adds to the experience gained by the team.

The team was not included in a conference, tourneys or other competition. They did, however, beat every opponent faced twice with the exception of Merrillville, to which they lost to by one point in the last inning. Junior Leanne Kersten said, "I think we had a great year. We could have and should have beaten Merrillville, though." The team finished with a 5-1 record. Donna Snider, soph., commented, "I think more schools should have a softball team. It would make it more exciting. I hope we have a successful season next year, like the one we had this year."



Freshman Janie Carda takes her lead-off from first base during action against M.C. Marquette. Freshman girls from the middle schools were invited to try out for the team. Janice was from Fegely and was the only freshman on the team.

Girls' Softball—Front Row: Barb Brooks, Denise Thomas, Donna Snider, Leanne Kersten, Brenda Clark, Janice Carda, Julie Schultz, Sue Propsom. **Back Row:** Rhonda Eagen, Sophie Badillo, Joy Bedalow, Lisa Cardenas, Sue Strlich, Lynne Wisneski, Jill Corey, Carol Ondras, mgr, Coach Connie Milner.

The team's leader in runs batted in (RBI's), Jill Corey, sr., concentrates on hitting the ball. Jill led the team with 11 RBI's and tied with four other team members for the most home runs with one apiece.



Girls' Softball Season Record: 5-1		
PHS		OPP
16	M.C. Marquette	4
9	M.C. Rogers	4
10	Merrillville	7
24	M.C. Marquette	
4	M.C. Rogers	3
3	Merrillville	4



***Sophomore** Brad Sikora dribbles the soccer ball down the field in hopes of scoring a goal. It is rare that one player will control the ball by himself, without passing, to score a goal. A lot of passing is done before goals are scored.*

Soccer — Front Row: Rick Rambo, Tim Rambo, John Sanchez, Brad Sikora, Mike Mrak, Al Zieba. **Row 2:** Eric Kurtz, Nick Weber, Tom Froman, Carlos Rojas, Steve Hallman, Dave Tarpo, Steve Frank, Eric Zieba. **Back Row:** Coach Jim Green, Jerry Shinnenman, Greg Shinall, Guy Hadley, Mike Frank, Dave Hibbs, Ray Collins, Tom Petrou, Mark Ribordy, Jack Kelly.



***Tom Petrou, sr.,** races downfield with total control of the ball. Tom was one of the team's leading scorers who helped the team to an undefeated season in dual meets. This was only the second year that Portage has had a high school soccer team.*



Soccer team to be cut; boosters offer a rescue

The 1980-81 PHS soccer team ended its season—and maybe its existence—with an 11-1 record, placing it very high in area rankings. The fact that we had an undefeated season until the tournament makes us one of the highest ranking teams in this area, commented Guy Hadley, jr. He continued, "This shows that the soccer in the Ogden Dunes/Portage area is superior and more organized than in other areas."

This year, because of various financial problems in the Portage school system, the school board cut many programs out of the curriculum. Soccer, while only in its second year, was one of them. However, the Portage Booster club offered to support the team for two years. It was left up to the school board to make the final decisions.

Speaking on the potential cuts, Coach Jim Green said, "It is hard for me to understand. We support ourselves without a problem. All of our equipment is paid for." Coach Green, who played soccer as a youth, considers soccer as a giant chess game, with two teams going out to battle.

Despite the proposed cuts, Tom Froman, sr., said that "overall, the team improved a great amount compared to last season. We were more organized and played more as a team instead of individual efforts."

Though soccer was new, Greg Shinall, soph., added, "It was just catching on." Thanks to the Portage booster club, though, there may still be a soccer team.



Soccer		
Season Record: 11-1		
PHS		
7	Bishop Noll	
4	Gavit	
6	Hammond High	
3	Morton	2
6	Hammond Tech	2
9	Andean	
4	Merrillville	
2	Munster	0
5	Highland	
5	Wirt	0
Tournament:		
5	Highland	2
1	Munster	2



Sophomore goalie, Mark Ribordy, saves the ball from entering the goal and prevents the other team from scoring. The soccer team went the whole season with very few goals scored against them. Mark assisted in many of the shutouts.

Charging toward the ball, Guy Hadley, jr., tries to gain control of the ball and pass it to a teammate. Portage's successful soccer season led them into the playoffs against other area teams such as Munster and East Chicago Washington.

Making a fancy catch. Greg Waters, jr., takes part in one of the ultimate frisbee games. Ultimate frisbee was one of the more popular intramural sports that students enjoyed playing. The sport's rules are similar to that of football and basketball.



Practicing for the upcoming intramural bowling competition, Joe Manna, sr., skillfully aims his bowling ball toward the pins. The Trouble Makers came in fourth place with a record of 25 wins and 32 losses.



Chris Bennett, an Asper basketball player, returns the volleyball to her opponents. Some of the volleyball teams consisted of both male and female players. The school has a good variety of intramural competitions.

Intramurals provide 2nd choice

The intramural program provided a second choice for those students that did not, or could not, participate in fulltime sports. Choices available were bowling, basketball, volleyball and frisbee.

Sponsor John DeCoster, psychology teacher, explained the student-run program was based on the combined ideas of the administration and student pressure. Sue Sudduth, jr., said, "I enjoyed it and hope next year there will be more participation."

Intramurals were designed to give more students a chance to exercise their athletic talent and to use school equipment. Although bowling was at Camelot Lanes, all other activities took place at PHS. Senior Mark Kingery commented that "the program was excellent. It got people together and it gave me something to do."

Students organized their own teams, and chose their own captains. The teams' entry fees helped to furnish school equipment and awards at the end of the season. Each of girls', boys' and co-ed teams was scheduled for 10 to 15 games.

Junior Adam Bellar said, "I had a good time, but I feel the kids shouldn't have been the referees." Mr. DeCoster concluded, "Things went well and we had more kids participate. I anticipate a continuing and expanding program."

The Bros and the Untouchables compete against each other in an intramural basketball game. Students were given the opportunity to form their own teams and compete against other teams within the school.



Attraction

Portage High School, an expensive habit

The student population of PHS provided companies with many chances for profit. Local companies and corporations from as far away as Kansas came into the Portage system.

Josten's was a familiar word throughout the halls of PHS because of the various contracts the conglomerate handled including graduation announcements, class rings and yearbooks. Rhea Spicer, sr., commented, "I think Josten's takes business away from the area printers and jewelers, and I prefer to support the local merchants." Another company that

came into the system was Tom's vending. The munchie machines were located near the student commons and provided students with a chance to get a quick after-school snack when they stayed for extracurricular activities.

Although companies came to the school, the system also had many places for the students to buy things. "I spend 80 cents to \$5 a day at school, depending on what I need. I have all yearly classes, and the cost of school supplies really adds up. I have found, however, that bookstore prices are more reasonable than the prices

at drug stores," said Chris Brown, jr.

Students also spent money in the cafeteria. One senior commented, "I am a vegetarian, and I really like the salad bar; it was never available at the old high school." Lynn Kwilasz, sr., said, "School food never looked too appetizing, so I never bought it, but some of it probably tastes all right." Jennifer Bistransky, sr., added that she didn't like the school food too much, but that the cooks probably couldn't help it because of the large quantity they had to make on a limited budget.

Sophomore Kim Ragsdale carries on a conversation on the pay phone across from the nurse's office. Besides that phone, there were four in the gym lobby and two in the auditorium lobby, for the students' and visitors' convenience.



The transfer.

Lisa Cooper, soph., purchases school supplies from Genenis Berg, sr., a bookstore aide. The store is located near the southeast corner of the student commons and sells items ranging from gym clothes to folders.

The school cafeteria provided an opportunity for students and staff to buy hot or cold meals at minimal costs. A wide selection of food was available, including salads, shakes, hamburgers, desserts and much more.



People People People People



*A Root photographer takes soph. Allan Magbanua's picture. Underclass picture day was arranged to get a head shot of each student for the **Legend**. In addition, all students were given the option of buying copies of their pose.*

*Much to the surprise of most students, partial funding for the **Pow Wow** comes out of their activity fee paid during registration. Karen Creager, jr., reads the **Pow Wow** during her seventh hour journalism class.*



Seniors

Peggy Jean Adams: Office Asst. 3; Teacher Asst. 4; A cappella Choir 2,3,4; Choraliers 3,4; Chorus 2,4; Girls' Ensemble 4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Orch. 2. **William Earl Akers.** **Scott A. Allen:** Intramurals 3. **Ginger Marie Allison:** Media Asst. 3; Office Asst. 3; Teacher Asst. 2,3; Pep Club 4; Basketball 2; Softball 4. **Darlene D. Alvarado:** Office Asst. 3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Indianettes 3,4; Class Rep. 4.

Terry Gene Alvarado. **Cheryl Ann Alvarez:** Teacher Asst. 2; Pep Club 4; Indianettes 4. **Maria Anderson:** Pep Club 2; Concert Band 2,3; Marching Indians 2,3; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2; Symphonic Band 2,3; Symphonic Orchestra 2. **Tom Andrey.** **Roberto J. Araujo:** Board Gamers 4; Intramurals 4; Spanish Club 4; Soccer 4; Track 4.

Lori A. Aydelotte: Volleyball 2; Class Rep. 3. **Anthony A. Babcock:** Intramurals 3,4; Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Pattie Anne Bailey:** Teacher Asst. 4; Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 3,4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4; Symphonic Orch. 3,4. **Jerry D. Bain:** Teacher Asst. 2; Intramurals 4; Ski Club 2,3,4; Soccer 3,4. **Mark Alan Baker:** Ski Club 2,3,4; Wrestling 3,4; Class Pres. 4.

Ron Barker. **Mary Kay Barkowski:** Teacher Asst. 3; Gymnastics 2,3,4. **Scott Barncord.** **Denise Bates.** **Ron Bates.**

Mark Bauknecht. **Greg Beasley:** French Honor Society 3,4; NHS 3,4; Thespians 2,3,4 (President); World Affairs Tour 3; All-State Choir 4; A cappella Choir 2,3,4; Choraliers 2,3,4; Student Council Treasurer 4; Class Rep. 2; Class Treasurer 3. **Joy Samantha Bedalow:** Intramurals 4; Softball 3,4; Track 2. **Laura Beier:** Office Asst. 4; Speech and Debate Club 4. **Genenis Marie Berg:** Spanish Club 3; Chorus 3.

Sheryl Lynn Berg: Media Asst. 2,3,4; Intramurals 3; Latin Club 2,3. **Jeffrey J. Bernitsen:** Intramurals 4; Basketball 2,3; Track 2. **Jane Marie Berquist:** NHS 3,4. **Dan Bertucci.** **Vince Bertucci.**





Laura Beville: Chamber Orch. 4; Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Orch. 2,3,4.
Bistransky: Concert Band 2,4; Marching Inc. 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3. **Eugene Blunk:** Traça 2,3. **Al Boggs.** **William J. Bolinger.**

Dan Borza. **Mark Bowen.** **Deborah J. Boyer:** Office Asst. 4; Teacher Asst. 4; Intramurals 3; **Legend Staff** 3,4; **Pow Wow** 3,4; **Quill and Scroll** 3,4 (Vice-President); Spanish Club 4 (Treasurer); Volleyball Manager 4. **Virginia R. Brakulis:** Ski Club 3; Student Council Honorary Member 4. **Sandra K. Braun:** Media Asst. 2.

Allen Bridges. **Sherri L. Brink:** Office Asst. 3,4; Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 2,3; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Rifle Corps 3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Dana LeeAnn Brown:** French Honor Society 3,4; **Saga Staff** 4. **Karen R. Brown:** Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4; Symphonic Orch. 4. **Gerald Kenneth Brunner:** Office Asst. 2,3; Teacher Asst. 2,3; Intramurals 2,3,4.

Sherry Bryan: Teacher Asst. 4; Flag Corps 3,4. **Kevin Lee Buhmann:** Intramurals 2. **Patti Burngarner.** **John Burch:** Intramurals 4; Ski Club 2,3,4; Soccer 3,4. **Pamela S. Burden:** French Club 2,3; Pep Club 3,4; Student Council Secretary 4; Honorary Member 3; Basketball Statistician 2.

Sandra Elaine Burger: Spanish Club 2,3,4. **Diane Burgess.** **Patty Ann Caccese:** Photography Staff 3; Chorus 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Concert Band 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Dorinda Marie Campbell:** Homecoming Queen 4; NHS 3,4 (Secretary); Pep Club 3; All-State Choir 4; A cappella Choir 2,3,4; Girls' Ensemble 3; Indianettes 3; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; NHS Quiz Bowl Team 4. **LaWanda Gail Campbell:** Intramurals 3.

Lori Campbell. **Patty A. Canfield:** Office Asst. 3; **Deanna Lynn Capps:** Office Asst. 2; Intramurals 4; Ski Club 3,4. **Lisa L. Cardenas:** Teacher Asst. 3,4; Intramurals 4; Basketball 2,3; Softball 3,4; Volleyball 2,3,4. **Enos Carpenter.**

Jim Carr: Teacher Asst. 2,4; A cappella Choir 2,3,4; Chorahers 4; Chorus 2,3; Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4; Symphonic Orch. 3,4. **Brad Carter.** **Victor Castellanos:** Intramurals 4; Wrestling 2,3,4. **George Chavez:** Ski Club 4. **Sandra Chavez.**

Western habits influence dress, TV, music, movies

Last year, reminiscences of the wild west were incredibly popular. Movies, music and clothes were among the items to incorporate the western style.

The popular TV show **Dallas** had an influence on the popularity of the western trend. Daytime soap operas were also adding western scenes and clothes. Movies such as **Urban Cowboy** and **The Electric Horseman** were "cowboy" type movies that were popular, especially among the younger generation. Lisa Cavarretta, jr. said, "I really liked the movie **Urban Cowboy**; it was one of the better movies I've seen."

These movies also helped promote the large response to country-western stars and their music. More and more people were listening to country-western music. Senior Theresa Connors said, "I think the country music now is becoming more popular and has better taste." Country singer Kenny Rogers was well liked by all age groups. Many of his songs, such as "You Decorated My Life", topped both country and pop charts.

Western clothes and accessories certainly were not new. Last year, however, western clothes were more popular and stylish. Western clothes were being

worn in many more places. Diana Erickson, sr., said, "The clothes are not too expensive and they're really cute. I like the western clothes because they will probably be in style for quite a while."

The ever popular denim jeans were paired with plaid button down shirts. Denim or lambs wool vests topped the shirts to complete the outfit. Footwear included boots and saddle oxfords in tan, brown or some of the new bright colors. Many people chose to wear a cowboy hat, also. Junior Cathy McCoy said, "I really like the new cowboy hats; they really seem to be in style." Suspenders and double-wrap belts were also very popular items.

These western fashions were appropriate for many different occasions. One did not have to spend a lot of money on these clothes. Many fashion designers think western clothes will be popular for a long time.

Shelley Medley, jr., models western clothes that were very popular last year. Jeans and plaid shirts topped with vests were among the western clothes that were worn often. A pair of boots and a hat completed the western look.



Glen Clark: Intramurals 3,4; Football 2. **Steve C. Coburn.** **Scott Eugene Coker:** Thespians 3,4; A cappella Choir 2,3,4; Chorals 2,3; Chorus 2,3,4; Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 3; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4; Student Council Rep. 4; Ski Club 3,4; Lifters 4. **Scott Collette.** **Sandra Sue Colon:** Office Asst. 4.

Kirk G. Conn. **Thomas A. Connors:** Intramurals 4. **Theresa Nadine Connors:** Teacher Asst. 2,3. **Vicky Constantine.** **Jeff S. Cook.**

Rosemary Cook. **Bryan K. Cooley:** Intramurals 3,4; Baseball 2; Football 2. **Oren S. Cooley:** French Club 4; French Honor Society 3,4; News Bureau 3,4; NHS 3,4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; Quiz Bowl 4. **Ruth Ann Cooper:** Media Asst. 2,3,4. **Jill Corey:** Intramurals 4; World Affairs Tour 3; Basketball 2,3,4; Golf 2,3,4; Softball 3,4; Tennis 2.





Robert Thomas Cornett: Cross Country 2; Track 2. **Candy Cowser.** **Laura L. Cram.** **Tammy Crawford.** **Sandra Creech.**

Charles Ray Cunningham Jr.: JROTC Drill Team 3; Track 2. **Roxanne Cunningham.** **Bob L. Curran.** **Brian J. Curry:** Audio-visual Asst. 4; Speech and Debate Club 4; Football Manager 2,3. **Christine Lynette Czazasty:** Intramurals 4; NHS 3,4; **Saga Staff** 4

Loretta Darling. **Mark Darling.** **Bennie Darnell.** **Brenda Marie Darosky:** Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4; Symphonic Orch. 3,4; Teacher Asst. 4. **Jeanine M. David:** Teacher Asst. 3; **Legend Staff** 3,4; NHS 3,4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; A cappella Choir 4; Choralliers 4.

Carolyn K. Davies. **James W. Davies.** **Sherry Lynn Davis:** Teacher Asst. 3,4; Thespians 3,4; All-State Choir 4; A cappella Choir 2,3; Choralliers 3; Chorus 2; Girls' Ensemble 2; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3. **Kim A. Dawson:** Teacher Asst. 2,4; Disco Dance Club 2; Ski Club 2; Softball 3,4; Volleyball 2. **Stephanie Ann Dean:** A cappella Choir 3; Chorus 2.

Greg DePorter. **Lisa S. Didelot:** Media Asst. 3,4; Concert Band 3. **Debbie Dixon.** **Theresa D. Doane.** **Scott E. Dobis.**

John L. Doege: Photography Staff 3,4. **Cathy Donahue.** **Maureen Ann Donahue.** **Shawn Michael Donovan.** **Bryan Dooley.**

Vickie Downs. **Joann Droppa.** **Ray Duffey.** **April L. Dulijan.** **Byron Dunn.**

DeAnne C. Dunn. Melissa Dunning: Disco Dance Club 2; French Honor Society 3,4; NHS 3,4; Pep Club 3,4; Quiz Bowl 4; Pit Orch. 2; Chamber Orch. 3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 3,4; Symphonic Orch. 2,3,4. **Kimberly Kay Dwight:** Office Asst. 2,3,4; FEA 3; Girls' State Alternate 3. **Tonia Eagen. Marcia K. Eaton:** Teacher Asst. 4.

Janet D. Ebling: NHS 3,4; **Saga Staff** 3; German Club 2; Concert Band 2; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2. **David Lee Edwards:** Intramurals 4; Latin Club 2,3,4; Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Kelley S. Elam. Robin Angela Elam:** Media Asst. 2,3. **Dennis Embry.**

Jeffrey Lee Emmons: Intramurals 3,4; **Pow Wow** 4; Quill and Scroll 4; Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 4; Marching Indians 2,3,4 (soloist); Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4; Cross Country 2,3; Track 2,3,4. **Susan England. Janet English:** Office Asst. 4; Girls' State 3; NHS 3,4; Spanish Club 4; Track 2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,4. **Diana Rae Erickson:** Office Asst. 4; Teacher Asst. 3; Pep Club 4; Spanish Club 2,3,4 (secretary). **Mark A. Estelle:** Teacher Asst. 4; Lifters 4; Football 2,3.

Troy Douglas Eubank: Cross Country 2,3; Track 2,3. **John L. Fabian. Steve W. Fast:** **Saga Staff** 3. **Gloria Fay:** Media Asst. 4; Tennis 3. **Joe Lee Feivor:** Teacher Asst. 4; Disco Dance Club 2; French Club 2; Pep Club 4; Speech and Debate Club 4.

Thomas Felter: Teacher Asst. 4; Intramurals 3,4; **Legend Staff** 2,3; **Pow Wow** 3,4; Quill and Scroll 4; Photography Staff 3,4. **Korie Ferguson. Kathryn L. Filler:** Office Asst. 3,4; Intramurals 4; Pep Club 2,4; Symphonic Orch. 2. **Wayne A. Fitzgerald. Robyn Michelle Flick:** Pep Club 2,3; **Pow Wow** 3; Flag Corps 3.

Frank Ford. Gayla S. Fox: Teacher Asst. 4; **Saga Staff** 4; A cappella Choir 2,4; Chorus 2,3; Girls' Ensemble 4. **David Frailey. Marsha Frame. Mark Francesconi:** Office Asst. 4; Intramurals 4; Ski Club 2,3; Lifters 4; Baseball 2,3,4; Football 2,4.

Dana Renee Frank: Chorus 2,3,4; Girls' Ensemble 4. **Michael W. Frank:** Intramurals 3,4; NHS 3,4; Soccer 4; Tennis 2,3,4. **Scott Frits. Thomas J. Froman:** NHS 3,4; Ski Club 2,4; Soccer 3,4; Class Rep. 2. **Veronica Angelina Gaines:** Media Asst. 3; Chamber Orch. 3; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3; Symphonic Orch. 2,3,4.





Victor Lee Gambill. John Garcia. **Howard E. Gauger Jr.:** Saga Staff 4; A cappella Choir 2,3,4; Chorus 2,3; Chorahers 4; Jazz Band 4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Dianna Gerber:** Media Asst. 3; Spanish Club 2,3; Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3; Symphonic Band 3. **Linda J. Gibson.**

Mike A. Giese: Football 2,3,4. **Brenda Gilbert.** **Kelley Gilbert.** **Rhonda K. Gilbert.** **Charles G. Giley:** French Trip '79 2; Thespians 4; A cappella Choir 4; Chorahers 4; Chorus 3,4; Concert Band 3; Jazz Band 3,4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4; Pep Band 2,3,4; Band Pres. 4.

Dean E. Gingerich. **Mark Anthony Gipson.** **April K. Goin.** **Gail Cragido.** **Bob Gregorash.**

Sheryl A. Gucich: Intramurals 4; NCTE 3; NHS 3,4; Saga Staff 3; Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 3,4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Joseph Michael Gue.** **Karen Gum.** **Richard R. Gunter:** Football 2,3,4; Wrestling 2,3,4. **Ron Hagan.**

Ken Hagan. **Ross K. Haire.** **David K. Hanauer.** **Greg Hanks.** **Brenda M. Harding.**

Keston Hasemann: Teacher Asst. 2,3; Intramurals 3,4. **Jim Hatch.** **Mich Hauswirth.** **William Havrilla:** Intramurals 4; Latin Club 4; Spanish Club 2; Basketball 2,3. **Larry Healey.**

Melissa E. Heckman. **Jennifer Ann Heimberg:** Office Asst. 4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Class Rep. 2,4. **John A. Henderson.** **Patrica Henderson.** **Sandra Jean Henik:** Spanish Club 2; Ski Club 2; Chamber Orch. 3; Chorus 2; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Orch. 2,3,4; Swimming 2.

Lou E. Hensley: Intramurals 4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4; Swimming 2,3,4. **Brain Herr:** Board Gamers 2,3,4; Boys' State 3; French Honor Society 3,4; NHS 3,4. **Richard Hewitt. David E. Hibbs:** Intramurals 3,4; NHS 3,4; Ski Club 4; Soccer 3,4; Tennis 3,4. **Tim Hickey.**

Carl Highlan. Judy Hill: Media Asst. 4; Pep Club 4; Pep Band 2,3,4; Concert Band 2; Flag Corps 4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Lori M. Hill. Michele Hill. Cindy L. Hodge:** Office Asst. 3,4; **Legend Staff** 3; Pep Club 2,3,4; **Pow Wow** 3; Swim Timer 3,4; Chorus 3; Girls' Ensemble 4; Indianettes 4; Class Rep. 3; Class Vice-pres. 2.

Nelson Holder. Steve Homme: Boys' State 3; Intramurals 4; NHS 3,4; Cross Country 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4. **Anne T. Horvath:** Office Asst. 3; Girls' State 3; Pep Club 2,3,4 (Vice-pres.); Pep Band 2; A cappella Choir 4; Chorus 3; Concert Band 2; Indianettes 3,4 (captain); Marching Indians 2; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4; Class Rep. 3. **Sandy L. Hott:** Office Asst. 2. **Scott Howell.**

Juli Hudgins. Melissa Anne Hughes: Office Asst. 3,4; Basketball 2. **Diane Hull. Lisa Hunker. Sandy Hunt:** Teacher Asst. 4; Intramurals 3,4; **Legend Staff** 3,4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; NHS 4.

Jim Hurst: Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3; Symphonic Band 3. **Phuong Huynh. Sheila Marrie Hyde:** Office Asst. 3; **Saga Staff** 3. **Kurt L. Ingram:** Teacher Asst. 4; Concert Band 2,3; Jazz Band 2,3,4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Jean E. Jackson:** Chorus 2; Girls' Ensemble 3; Swimming 2; Track 2.

Ray Jackson. David Jackura. Sandy Jacob. Tom Jaeger. Jerri Jakich.

Rich Jarvis. Alan Johnson: Baseball 4. **Dave W. Johnson. Dwayne A. Johnson. Robert R. Johnson:** Intramurals 3,4; Latin Club 3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Basketball 2.





Rob Jones: Intramurals 4; Football 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4. **Dan J. Joppik:** Office Asst. 2,3; Swimming 3,4. **Prateek Juneja:** JROTC Drill Team 3; Physical Fitness Team 3. **Deborah Anne Kaminski:** Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Baseball Mgr. 2,3,4; Class Rep. 3,4. **Robert J. Kasarda:** Teacher Asst. 4; Swimming 2,3,4.

Jeff Kasnick. Lynda Kasserman. Randall B. Katzelis: Teacher Asst. 4; Pep Club 4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Jazz Band 2,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Rod Kean. James D. Keen.**

Glen A. Keer. Darla Sue Keleman: Saga Staff 2,3,4; A cappella Choir 2,4; Girls' Ensemble 4. **Connie L. Kender. Christopher C. Kennedy. Travis Kent.**



Felter

Parents Mrs. Sandra Herr, Mr. Don Herr, and Mr. George Beasley look over the certificates of srs. Greg Beasley and Brian Herr. The boys received the certificates for being National Merit finalists. About one-third of the finalists get scholarships.

Cindy L. Kestle: Teacher Asst. 4; Concert Band 2,3,4; Jazz Band 4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4; Softball 3. **Dave Kiefer.** **Donna King.** **Mark Ernest Kingery:** Intramurals 3,4; Lifter 4. **Charles Kirkpatrick.**

Karen Kleinstick. **Linda M. Klopfer:** Pep Club 2,3; Chamber Orch. 3,4; Flag Corps 3; Marching Indians 3; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Orch. 2,3,4. **Deb Klyczek:** Teacher Asst. 3,4. **Robin L. Koby.** **Rick Koen:** Teacher Asst. 2,3; Boys State 3; Intramurals 4; NHS 3,4 (Pres.); Quiz Bowl 4; Choralers 4; Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 3; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4; Class Vice-Pres. 3.

Rosemary Kos: NHS 3,4; Tennis 2,3,4. **Chad Kostel.** **Tammy Kotulock.** **Amy Krulik.** **Judy A. Kuehn:** Media Asst. 2; **Saga Staff** 4; Softball 4; Teacher Asst. 4.

Bob Kuhajda. **Charles R. Kuznicki:** Intramurals 3; Photography Staff 3. **Lynn Ann Kwilasz:** Teacher Asst. 3,4; NHS 3,4 (Vice-Pres.); Pep Club 3; **Saga Staff** 4; German Club 2; Flag Corps 3; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3; Symphonic Band 3. **Marian Lacey:** Teacher Asst. 4; Ski Club 2,3,4; Swimming 2,3,4; Tennis 2,3,4; Class Rep. 2,3. **Donna Marie Lahaie.**

Angela Melanie Lajcin. **Jacqueline S. Lamar:** Chorus 2,3,4. **Barb Lands.** **Mike W. Lara:** Football 2. **Julie A. Larson.**

Jeanette A. Lavery. **Wanda Y. Lawrence.** **Vince P. Leach.** **Sherri Elizabeth Lee:** **Saga Staff** 4; Class Secretary 4. **Mark E. Lemmons:** Intramurals 3,4; Latin Club 4.

Michael A. Lesnick: Teacher Asst. 4; Intramurals 3,4; NHS 3,4; Basketball 2. **Todd Lewis:** Intramurals 3,4; Baseball 2,3,4; Football 2,3,4. **Charles D. Lilja:** Football 2,3,4. **Stephanie Ling.** **Donna Elizabeth Liscum:** Jazz Band 3; Marching Indians 2; Symphonic Band 2,3; Swimming 2,3,4.





Kimberly M. Littell: Media Asst. 2. **Teresa F. Long.** **Todd Longazo.** **Sarah Lowe.** **Anita Lowther.**

Diane L. Lukasik: French Honor Society 3,4; NCTE Award 3; NHS 3,4 (Tres.); Swimming 2,3. **Rodney Luke.** **Mike Lynch.** **Robert Madden.** **Arnold Magbanua:** Teacher Asst. 4; Intramurals 3,4; Concert Band 2; Symphonic Band 3,4.

Cassandra Malinoff: Cheerleader 2,3,4; Homecoming Court 4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Gymnastics 2,3,4; Volleyball 2. **David M. Malone:** Boys' State Alt. 3; **Pow Wow** 4; Football 2,3. **S. Michael Malone:** Media Asst. 2,4; Office Asst. 4; Audio-visual Asst. 2,4; Lifter 4; Intramurals 3,4; **Pow Wow** 4; Baseball 2; Basketball 2; Football 2,3,4; Student Council Pres. 4; Class Pres. 3. **Joseph Manna:** Teacher Asst. 3; Intramurals 3,4; **Saga** Staff 4. **Debra R. Mason-Gingerich.**

Jim M. Mattice. **Echo Marie Maudlin:** Media Asst. 4; Concert Band 2; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Jaymi McCabe:** Teacher Asst. 3; Girls' State 3; Symphonic Orch. 2. **Robin Elaine McCall.** **Ed McCormack.**

Darcy Lynne McCormick: Office Asst. 2; Ski Club 3,4; Basketball 2 (Manager). **Ida Ellen McCree:** Pep Club 2,3,4; **Saga** Staff 2; Chorus 2,3; Indianettes 4; Swimming 3. **Linda Marie McCurdy.** **Darren R. McDonald.** **Diane McDonald:** Intramurals 4; **Legend** 4.

LaRue C. McHargue: Cheerleader 2; Pep Club 2; Gymnastics 2,3. **Jerri K. McIntosh:** Office Asst. 4. **Mark Edward McKee.** **Julie A. McKeown:** Teacher Asst. 4; NHS 3,4; Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 3; Marching Indians 2,3; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Brian R. McMullen:** **Legend Staff** 4; Cross Country 2; Swimming 2,3,4; Pool Asst. 3,4.

Cheryl A. McQueary: Basketball 2. **Mike McWhirter:** Intramurals 3,4; Football 2,3,4. **Mark Medved.** **Brian Mendyke.** **Daniel Bruce Mergl.**

Mike Messina: Boys' State Alt. 3; Ski Club 3,4
Dana Mickles. Tony S. Milevsky: Teacher Asst.
 2; Intramurals 4; Baseball 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3; Gym-
 nastics 2. **Christine Louise Miley:** Latin Club 3,4

Dennis Ray Miller. Kimberly Miller: Media
 Asst. 3; Audio-visual Asst. 4. **William Miller. Rob-
 ert Dale Milligan:** Legend Staff 4; A cappella
 Choir 4; Chorals 4; Chamber Orch. 3,4; Solo/En-
 semble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Orch. 2,3,4. **Rick
 M. Millikin:** Teacher Asst. 3; Boys' State 3; Disco
 Dance Club 2,3; Symphonic Orch. 2,3.

Jim Millington: Teacher's Asst. 3,4; Intramurals
 3,4; Cross Country 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4. **Barry L. Mills:**
 JROTC Color Guard 4; Drill Team 3,4; Concert
 Band 3,4; Marching Indians 3,4; Symphonic Band 4.
Donna Lynn Mills. Patty Milton: Media Asst. 3.
Peggy Milton.

Kris Minjock: Media Asst. 2; Office Asst. 2. **Pat-
 rick Wayne Mitchell. Steven M. Moehl:** Board
 Gamers 2,3,4. **Eric K. Monroe:** Intramurals 4;
 Quill and Scroll 3,4; Photography Staff 3,4; NHS 4;
 Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/En-
 semble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Robert
 Montez.**

**Christopher S. Moore. Dan Moore. Lorri L.
 Moore:** Girls' State Alt. 3; NHS 3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4
 (Pres.); Spanish Club 2; Concert Band 2; Indianettes
 3,4 (Capt.); Marching Indians 2; Solo/Ensemble
 Contest 2; Symphonic Band 2,3,4; Student Council
 Hon. Mem. 4; Class Secretary 3. **Robert Moore.
 Donna Claire Morales:** Girls' State Alt. 3; NHS
 3,4; German Club 2.

Penny Jo Morris: Teacher Asst. 4; NHS 4; Legend
 Staff 2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3; Quill and Scroll 4; **Saga
 Staff 3; Thespians 2,3,4; German Club 2; Track timer
 3,4; Basketball Statistician 4; Student Council Hon.
 Mem. 2. **Sterling Kent Moya. Leeanna J. Mula:**
 Pep Club 3,4. **Karen Mullins. Dave A. Mulvihill:**
 Intramurals 4; Cross Country 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4.**

Kathy Murray. Don Murrell: Teacher Asst. 3,4;
 Board Gamers 2,3,4. **Cheryl L. Myers:** NHS 3,4; A
 cappella Choir 2. **Kathy Najjar:** Track 2; Class Rep.
 2. **Ecce Filho Nani.**



Senior officers 'worked hard': Baker

"Senior class officers have worked hard all year and deserve a lot of credit," according to senior class president Mark Baker. Other officers were vice-president Chuck Torrez, secretary Sherri Lee and treasurer Carol Riddle.

Mark was involved in Student Council for two years. After graduation Mark planned to attend Marion College where he hopes to become class president. During his presidency, Mark started the concert T-shirt program in which he involved the three middle schools, was in charge of the

Homecoming parade, and also set up the Deep River Band concert on Mar. 21.

Vice-president Chuck Torrez was involved in Student Council ever since he attended Aylesworth Middle School, where he was a representative for four years. Chuck was a member of the wrestling and JV football teams at PHS. One of Chuck's accomplishments while in high school was being chairman of the winning senior float. He has also represented Portage at workshops at Notre Dame and at IUN. "I have mixed feelings about leaving. I had

a lot of good times at PHS," Chuck commented.

Sherri Lee has also been involved in Student Council since middle school. She was a flower girl for both midterm and spring graduation her junior year. She also supplied ideas for the '80-'81 Homecoming week. "This year's Homecoming really got us together as a class," said Sherri.

Treasurer Carol Riddle has been a member of Ski Club, **Legend**, Pep Club, Quill and Scroll and Student Council. She has participated in Student Council during all three years of her stay here. Carol says she ran because she thought she could help improve the school. After graduation, she plans on going on to Goshen College to study nursing. Her most memorable moments were the football and basketball games.

Senior Class Officers — **Front Row:** Mark Baker, president; Chuck Torrez, vice-president. **Back Row:** Carol Riddle, treasurer; Sherri Lee, secretary.



Rogers

Rose Angela Natalie: Office Asst. 3,4; Intramurals 4; Ski Club 3,4 (Treasurer); Class Rep. 4. **Tracy Kathleen Necco:** Teacher Asst. 3,4; Disco Dance Club 2; Homecoming Court 4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Indianettes 3,4; Marching Indians 3,4. **Don Nelson.** **Lisa M. Nelson:** Office Asst. 3,4; Chorus 2; Gymnastics 2. **Dan Newton:** Cross Country 4; Track 3.

Nancy LuAnn Nicalek: JROTC Physical Fitness Team 2; A cappella Choir 4; Chorus 2; Concert Band 2; Girls' Ensemble 3. **Laurie Jean Niksch:** Media Asst. 3; Teacher Asst. 3; Ski Club 3,4; Tennis 2. **Daryl Wayne Niloff:** Media Asst. 3; Teacher Asst. 2; Intramurals 3,4. **Karen Nolan:** Teacher Asst. 2; Thespians 2,3,4. **Ken W. Nush:** Saga Staff 3; Basketball 2; Track 2.

Barbara M. O'Brien: Media Asst. 4; Teacher Asst. 2,3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Spanish Club 2; Speech and Debate Club 4; Swim Timer 4; Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2. **Andrea Ogden:** Teacher Asst. 4; Girls' State 3; Symphonic Orch. 2. **George Ortiz.** **Lisa Marie Ortiz.** **Cassandra Lynn Osborn:** A cappella Choir 4; Choraliers 4; Chorus 2,3,4.

Joyce E. Overby. **Carla Paglicci.** **Carlo Paglicci:** Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 4; Marching Indians 2,3; Symphonic Band 3; Golf 2,3. **Lynn Marie Pappas:** Saga Staff 4; Softball 4; Tennis 2. **David Allen Parker:** Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3; Symphonic Band 2,3; Football 2,3.

Sheila Parks. **Mark Patterson.** **Sylvia Pena:** Office Asst. 2; Teacher Asst. 4; Disco Dance Club 2 (Treasurer); Spanish Club 2. **Daniel L. Pennington:** Wrestling Manager 2,3,4. **Michael B. Perry.**

Janice Marie Peters: Intramurals 4; **Legend Staff** 4. **Laura Patricia Peterson:** Office Asst. 4; Cheerleader 2,4; French Honor Society 3,4; Homecoming Court 4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Tennis 2,4; Track 3; Volleyball 2,3,4. **Thomas John Petrou:** Audio-visual Asst. 3; Intramurals 3,4; Ski Club 3,4; Soccer 3,4; Tennis 2,3. **Brenda Jean Petruch:** Saga Staff 4. **Jennifer Anne Petti:** Cheerleader 2; NCTE 3; Pep Club 2; A cappella Choir 4; Girls' Ensemble 3; Class Rep. 3.

Lori Marie Philipp: Intramurals 4; Pep Club 4. **Janice Ellen Phillips.** **Kimberly Kaye Phillips.** **Sheila Louise Piasecki:** Pep Club 3; Spanish Club 2; Speech and Debate Club 4; Concert Band 2; Flag Corps 3; Marching Indians 2,3; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3; Symphonic Band 3; Symphonic Orch. 2; Track 2,4. **Bill Pierce:** Office Asst. 3; Teacher Asst. 4; Board Gamers 3,4.





Joseph B. Pilla: Saga Staff 4. **Ed Plahtaric.** **Di-anna Lynn Pontius:** Office Asst. 3,4; Saga Staff 2,3; Ski Club 4. **Mike Posavac.** **Tracee Potts.**

Diana Lynn Price: Teacher Asst. 4. **Lynette D. Prickett:** Girls' State 3; Intramurals 4. **Peter Prop-som.** **Dale Pugh:** Teacher Asst. 4. **Robyn Quick.**

Michelle R. Ray. **Mary Ellen Reedy:** Concert Band 2,3,4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Chris Reising.** **Patricia A. Renehan:** Office Asst. 3; Pep Club 2,3; Ski Club 2,3,4; Indian-ettes 3; Swimming 2. **Jim Reyes:** Concert Band 2,3; Marching Indians 2,3; Baseball 2; Wrestling 2,3,4.

Tony Reyes: Concert Band 2,3; Marching Indians 2,3; Symphonic Band 3; Wrestling 2,3,4. **Joe Reyn-olds.** **Leann Rhodes:** Ski Club 2,3,4; Swimming 2,3; Tennis 2. **Barbara Jean Richards:** JROTC Drill Team 2,3. **Dale Richter.**

Carol Joann Riddle: Office Asst. 4; Teacher Asst. 4; Latin Club 2,3; **Legend Staff** 3,4; Pep Club 2,3; Quill and Scroll 4; Ski Club 3,4; Class Treasurer 4. **Marsha J. Rivera:** Media Asst. 4; Chorus 2,3; Girls' Ensemble 3. **Linda Diane Rizzo:** Office Asst. 3; Tennis 2. **Danial J. Roach:** Boys' State Alt. 3; Intra-murals 3,4; NHS 3,4; Baseball 2; Cross Country 2,3,4; Track 3,4. **Will Robbins:** Boys' State 3; Drum Major 2,3,4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Con-Test 2; Symphonic Band 2,3,4; Diving 2,3; Golf 2,3,4; Swimming 4; Class Pres. 2.

Marcel Roberts. **Debbie Robinson:** A cappella Choir 4; Chorus 2,3; Girls' Ensemble 3. **Jenny Roc-chi.** **Chris Roe.** **Jerry Rogers.**

John W. Rogers: Teacher Asst. 3,4; Intramurals 3,4; Photography Staff 3,4; Lifters 4; Ski Club 4; Class Rep. 4; **Bob Rohde.** **Kresha Renae Rohrer:** Of-fice Asst. 2,3,4; Pep Club 2; Student Council Hon. Member 4. **Carlos Rojas:** Soccer 3,4. **Barb Rollins:** Media Asst. 3,4.

'Evil' lefties cope in righthanded world

The sinistrals form a group which makes up 10 per cent of the population.

A variety of people, including Paul McCartney, Jack the Ripper, Dorothy Hamill, Babe Ruth and Alexander the Great have been sinistrals.

In Latin the word means sinister or corrupt. It also means left-handed.

Sophomore Ruth Siler stated, "This is a right-handed world. Everything is made for right-handed (people)." It makes things more difficult for lefties.

Sinistrals often face difficulties because of the hand they use. In most cultures the word "left" signifies evil or awkward. A rural Japanese woman can be divorced if her left-handedness is discovered. A new polo rule practically eliminates left-handed players because they make it dangerous for right-handed players. Also, most machines and appliances are made for the right-handed.

Even school desks can pose a problem, according to Tami Heatherly, sr. "Did you ever try to write on a desk made for right-handed people with your arm hanging off?" she asked.

Another left-handed senior, Carlo Paglicci, complained that it was hard to write left-handed because when going from left to right, his hand would smear what was already written. Carlo concluded, it is not so bad being left-handed; "It's easier to use a pay phone."

Senior Joe Pilla mentioned some other advantages for left-handers. "Water fountains have got buttons on the left side, and it's easier to get a drink of water." He also said that lefties who box have an advantage, as "righties" aren't used to fighting them. Bowling lefties also have an advantage because the left side of the lane gets less use so it retains more oil.

Because the artistic right half of the

brain controls the left side of the body, some researchers think that lefties may have greater artistic talent and more imagination than right-handed people. On the other hand, other researchers believe that lefties are prone to brain damage, alcoholism, suicide and reading disabilities.

A popular sign among store and mail order catalogues for left-handers reads, "If the right hemisphere of the brain controls the left side of the body, then only left-handers are in their right minds." Lefty stores also carry items such as asparagus knives, archery sets, corkscrews and cameras for people who use their left hand.

The sinistrals are making a place for themselves in a world with a right-handed majority. Joe said he likes being left-handed because not very many people are. Carlo simply stated, "Lefties have savior-faire."

Michael Roney. Ken Roper: Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 2,3,4; Marching Indians 3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Scott A. Rosenberg. Darlene Marie Rospierski:** Office Asst. 4; Pep Club 4; Gymnastics 2,3,4; Student Council Vice-pres. 4; Class Rep. 3; Class Sec. 2. **Bonnie Jean Rosser:** Media Asst. 2.



Brenda M.T. Russ. Jay Russell. Lynne Sallerno. Debra Jean Salyer: Pep Band 2; Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Monica Sargent.**



Allan C. Sassman: Intramurals 3. **Mary Satkoski.** **Jill A. Scheeringa:** Teacher Asst. 3; Intramurals 4. **Tammy Schiller.** **Keith W. Schlink:** Board Gamers 4.

Maria Schmidt: Intramurals 4; Pep Club 2,3,4; Ski Club 2,3,4; Volleyball 2,3; Class Rep. 3. **Angie Marie Schulz:** Media Asst. 4. **Gary Schumacher.** **Colleen Schwei.** **Lois Scott.**

Bill Sharp. **Mike C. Sheriff:** Football 2,3,4; Wrestling 2,3,4. **Sharon Marie Sherrard:** Media Asst. 3; Pep Club 4; Concert Band 2; Flag Corps 4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Kimberly S. Sherwood.** **Randy L. Shields.**

Thomas Shields. **Paul Shirey.** **Barb Sierra.** **Katherine J. Sims:** Pep Club 4; **Saga** Staff 4; Spanish Club 4; A cappella Choir 4; Chorus 2,3; Girls' Ensemble 3,4. **Mike Smart.**



Carolyn Kay Smith: Teacher Asst. 4; Intramurals 3; Latin Club 3; News Bureau 3; Pep Club 2; **Pow Wow 3.** **Dan Smith.** **Gregory C. Smith:** Intramurals 3,4; **Pow Wow 4;** Pep Band 3,4; Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Jim Smith.** **Melissa Smith.**

Teresa Smith. **Joni Lynn Smothermon:** Concert Band 2; Jazz Band 3; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Rifle Corps 3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Donald Alan Snider:** Golf 2; Soccer 4. **Barbara Ann Snyder:** A cappella Choir 2,3; Chorus 2. **Steve Synder.**

Giovanni Soto: Teacher Asst. 2; Golf 2,3. **Tammy South.** **Henry Spears.** **Scott Spera:** Intramurals 4. **Rhea A. Spicer:** Speech and Debate Club 4; Thespians 3,4 (Sec.); Drama Club 3,4; A cappella Choir 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4.

Larry Spiller. **Gilbert E. Spisak:** Intramurals 3,4; Football 2,3,4. **Ron Springman.** **Lena Spurling.** **Kelly Stahl.**

William J. Stambaugh. **Mark R. Stanford:** Track 4. **Steven Stanford:** Track 3. **Loy Dale Stanley.** **Sheryl Ann Stanley:** Media Asst. Teacher Asst. 2; Cheerleader 4; Pep Club 3,4; **Saga Staff 4;** A cappella Choir 2,3; Indianettes 3; Girls' Ensemble 3; Diving 2,4; Class treasurer 2.

Ted Stanton. **Kris Stengel:** Flag Corps 3. **Crystal Stephens.** **Cindy C. Stewart:** Media Asst. 4. **Jerry L. Stifle:** Board gamers 2,3.

Kathy Lynn Stonebraker: Swimming 4; Track 2,3. **Joyann Stoner.** **Bob Striker:** Football 2. **Jeff Strilich:** Teacher Asst. 4; Football 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4. **Tammy Marie Sutherland:** Cheerleader 3,4; Homecoming Court 4; NHS 4; Pep Club 3,4; Gymnastics 2,3,4.





Diana Lynn Sutton. **Barb M. Szklarski:** Office Asst. 3. **Jerry Tachik.** **William A. Taddei:** Teacher Asst. 2; Intramurals 3,4. **Jacqueline Jean Tapper:** Media Asst. 2,3; Office Asst. 4; Teacher Asst. 2; Intramurals 3.

Dave Tarpo. **Kimberley S. Taylor.** **Robert David Taylor:** JROTC Color guard 2; Drill team 2,3; Physical fitness team 2,3. **Sandra Thomas.** **Thomas Thomasino:** Teacher Asst. 4; Photography Staff 3,4.

James Thomason. **James D. Thompson.** **Roger Dean Thorn:** Ski Club 2,3,4. **Brian C. Thornton.** **Cynthia Tinsley.**

Sandra Marie Todd: Teacher Asst. 2,3; JROTC Color guard 2; Drill team 2,3. **Chuck Torrez:** Intramurals 4; Ski Club 2,3,4; Football 2; Wrestling 2,3,4; Class Rep. 2,3,4; Class Vice-pres. 4. **Jeff Paul Trella.** **Terrill J. Trumble:** Intramurals 3,4; Latin Club 2,3,4; Swim team 2,3,4 (Captain). **Nathan L. Tumblin:** Basketball 2,3,4; Football 2,3,4.

Michele Ann Turley. **Dave Ulemek:** Mr. Football 4. **Michael Underwood:** Saga Staff 4. **David L. Upton.** **Jimmy L. Valentine:** Intramurals 3; Ski Club 2; Football 2; Track 3.

Tim Vandergriff: Intramurals 3,4. **Rita Marie Vasquez:** Office Asst. 4; Chorus 3; Girls' Ensemble 3. **Larry Vaughan.** **Kevin R. Vaughn.** **Jeff R. Veach:** Baseball 2; Basketball 2; Football 2,3,4; Track 3,4; Wrestling 3.

Kelly M. Volland. **Larry R. Wade.** **Jackie R. Walker:** Concert Band 2; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Rifle Corps 3,4; Symphonic Band 3,4. **Penny S. Walker:** Office Asst. 4; NHS 3,4. **Brad Wallace.**

Kenneth A. Waters. Kathy Watkins. Deborah Lynn Watson: Cheerleader 2,4; Pep Club 2,4. **Cheryl Watt. Gregory Weaver:** Basketball 2,3,4; Football 2,4.

Tim Weaver. Tracey Lynn Weaver: Pep Club 2; Ski Club 3,4; Chorus 2; Concert Band 4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,4; Symphonic Band 2,3,4. **Wendell Webb. Bill Weber:** Intramurals 4; Football 2,3,4; Track 3. **Mark Weber:** Intramurals 3,4; Track 3.

Sharon Welsh. Kathy Ann Welther: Disco Dance Club 2; Pep Club 3,4; German Club 2; A cappella Choir 2,3,4; Chamber Orch. 3; Choralliers 3,4; Chorus 2,3,4; Solo/Ensemble Contest 2,3,4; Symphonic Orch. 2,3,4. **Ron Wenzel:** Baseball 4; Football 4. **Ken B. West. Dean Westbrook.**

Deborah L. Wetklow: Teacher Asst. 4; Intramurals 4; **Legend Staff** 3,4; NHS 3,4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; Track 2. **Kerry Weyant:** Intramurals 4; Basketball 2,3; Volleyball 2. **John T. White:** Intramurals 4; Cross Country 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4. **Kelly Jean White:** Office Asst. 2; Teacher Asst. 4; Cheerleader 2; Pep Club 2; Spanish Club 2; Gymnastics 2; Track 2. **Lora L. White: Saga Staff** 3,4; Choir 2,3,4; Girls' Ensemble 4.

Rick White. Lisa A. Whited: Office Asst. 2,3. **Ken Whittaker. Mona M. Whitten:** Media Asst. 4. **Katrine Wick.**

Nancy Wielgus: Intramurals 4; **Legend Staff** 3; Ski Club 3,4; Basketball 2; Gymnastics 2; Volleyball 2,3. **David A. Wilkerson. Katy Wilkie. Laura Diane Wilkie. Lisa M. Wilkinson:** Office Asst. 2,3,4; Teacher Asst. 4; Ski Club 3,4 (Secy.); Diving 2,3,4; Tennis 2,3,4.

Michael Wilmath. Aloma Lynn Wilson. Leslie B. Wilson: **Legend Staff** 3,4; NHS 3,4; Quill and Scroll 3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Softball 3,4; Volleyball 2. **Robbie D. Woods. Brian Wuerthele.**



Homme, Koen take top honors in class

Steve Homme earned the honor of valedictorian of the 1981 senior class and Rick Koen that of salutatorian.

Steve was a member of the National Honor Society, with previous membership in the National Junior Honor Society at Aylesworth Middle School. Other honors included being selected as a Boys' State delegate and being named a National Merit Semi-finalist. Steve retained a 4.133 grade pt. average during his four years of high school.

Not only did Steve receive academic honors, he was also involved in sports.

He participated in track, tennis, four years of basketball while attending Aylesworth and a total of four years of cross country at Aylesworth and PHS. "I like all sports," stated Steve, "but mostly cross country because there are not many people in it." Steve is planning to attend Purdue West Lafayette and to major in science.

During his years at PHS, Rick was active in Marching Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Symphonic Band and Orchestra winds. He was vice-president of his junior class and president of NHS in his senior year.

In addition, Rick was chosen as a Boys' State alternate and was manager of the Aylesworth wrestling team for four years.

Rick carried a 4.043 grade point average. He commented, "My junior year was the only year I had any trouble. I had a large course overload." He then added, "The Portage School system has a lot to offer."

The Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology granted Rick a scholarship in engineering. He will be attending the college after graduating and hopes to major in a type of chemical engineering.



The 1981 valedictorian, Steve Homme, enjoyed not only academic honors, but sports competition as well. His favorite sport was running cross country. Steve was also in track, tennis and basketball.

Rick Koen, the 1981 senior salutatorian, participated in many activities, one of which was the newly organized NHS Quiz Bowl. The Quiz Bowl team competed with different schools in a type of "academic jeopardy".



David A. Yaros: Office Asst. 3,4; Intramurals 3; Lifters 4; Marching Indians 2,3,4; Solo Ensemble Contest 2; Symphonic Band 2,3,4; Diving 2,3,4; Class Rep. 2,3. **YeVetta Lynn York:** Teacher Asst. 4; Intramurals 4; Pep Club 4. **Cindy Young:** Swimming 2,3; Boys' Swim Manager 2,3. **Gayle Marie Theresa Young:** Teacher Asst. 4; Chorus 4. **Shawn Young.**

Russ Zavalydriga. Eric Zieba: Office Asst. 4; Soccer 3,4. **Paul D. Ziulkowski. William F. Zoromski:** Teacher Asst. 3,4; Swimming 2,3,4.

Juniors

Tim Abbott, Tony Adams, Mark Addis, Denny Alexander, Kim Allen, Mark Allen, Randy Allen, Robert Allen, Dave Alley.

Karen Allison, Mike Alvarez, Greg Apathy, Rhonda Ard, Greg Ashcraft, Debbie Babcock, Scott Bacon, Sophie Badillo, Tammy Bagley.

Jeff Baldwin, Regina Ball, Glenda Barber, Keith Barden, Mark Barker, Tom Barnes, Jeff Barron, Louis Batides, Doug Bauswell.

Yvonne Beahm, Bud Beans, Dave Beauchamp, Jay Beckham, Donna Bedalow, Adam Bellar, Danny Bemis, Andrea Bencze, Jeff Bencze.

Tracy Bennett, Bev Bennington, Dave Berdovich, Mike Berg, Greg Berntsen, Dede Bettis, Sue Beverly, Becky Bickers, Brian Binder.

Shari Bishop, Debbi Black, Rick Blake, Jeff Blakely, Mike Blue, Penny Boggs, Mark Bollinger, Tim Bonick, Jeff Bono.

Kim Bormes, Sheila Bost, Tammy Bowles, Robert Boyd, Mark Bravo, Tim Brock, Barb Brooks, Chris Brown, Clinton Buckland.

Gregory Buckner, Kyna Bullard, Randy Bullock, Jim Bulva, Bob Burke, Jim Burnham, Carol Burrow, Robert Butler, Dennis Campbell.

Gordon Campbell, Julie Campbell, Keith Campbell, Jim Cannon, Cynthia Carlson, Gary Carroll, Susan Cauley, Lisa Cavarretta, April Caywood.

Phil Cazallis, Cindy Chapman, Brian Charlson, Alison Charron, Denise Chavez, Ted Cheek, Michele Cheeks, Kim Cherepko, Phil Christopher.

Robert Clardy, Brenda Clark, Dave Clark, Lenny Clark, Brad Claussen, Rhonda Clift, Ed Cloyd, Bill Coban, Michele Cochran.





Laune Coker, Doug Collins, Ray Collins, Lisa Colon, Jim Colville, Carol Combs, Roger Contreras, Carol Copeland, Dave Cornett.

Kim Costley, Karen Cotton, Bob Courtney, Bill Cox, Mary Ann Cox, Regina Cox, Jeff Crafton, Karen Creager, Debbie Creech.

Mike Crnarich, Kim Crum, Sandy Crystal, Mike Curry, Phil Cutrel, Dave Dahlgren, Ed Daniel, Margaret Dauber, John Davich.

Dave Davis, Michael Dearing, Don Deem, George DeLeon, Rich DeLeon, Andrea DeMike, Chris DePorter, Glenn DeVries, Greg Dillon.

Bill Doane, Becky Dobis, Cheri Donohue, Bill Donovan, Cassie Downs, Vickie Downs, Greg Driver, Mike Driver, Rich Drummond.

John Dujmovich, Tony Dujmovich, Sheri Dunn, Don Dusendang, Angela Dyer, Joyce Ebling, Dave Eggers, Cheryl Elieff, Deanna Elkins.

Lee Elledge, Dean Engelhardt, Michael Esposito, Patti Etchison, Jenilyn Eubank, Cheryl Evans, Michael Evans, Terri Evans, Leann Ewing.

Barb Fagen, Angie Faidherbe, John Fengya, Scott Fielder, Beth Fieler, Jeannette Fischer, Mark Fischer, Jeff Fisher, Jill Fleming.



Doug Gucich, Jr., and Mark Medved, Sr., concentrate on their studies while taking advantage of library facilities. Students found the media center a useful place to study, do research or simply listen to music.

Simons

Cindy Flick, Debbie Flick, Kelly Flick, Carol Forbes, Kathy Forney, Steve Frank, Chuck Franklin, Pam Franklin, Donna Freels.

Julie Friday, Michele Fronczak, Jesse Fultz, Marian Fusko, Doug Gagliardi, Darryl Galasso, David Gallardo, Tony Galvan, Frank Garcia.

Trish Garner, Henny Garus, Margo Gasic, Mary Gaudio, Laurie Gaza, Denise Geary, Jim Geary, Ron George, Beth Getty.

Holly Gibson, Pam Gilbert, Lynn Giley, Jim Gilland, Charlie Gingerich, Kim Gobin, Robert Gobin, Darrel Godby, Jim Goffney.

Melanie Goin, Ellen Goins, Steve Gonzalez, Dan Goodman, Dave Goodman, Lori Greavu, Bob Green, John Groves, Rich Grutsch.

Doug Gucich, Rich Gunter, Mark Gurrola, Phyllis Haberkamp, Guy Hadley, Tim Hagan, Judy Hagerty, Debbie Hajtovik, Shawn Hale.

Frank Hall, Rich Hall, Steve Hallman, Dawn Hamel, Cathy Hamilton, Roger Hanks, Chris Hansen, Rick Hanson, Greg Hardin.

Scott Harper, Sandy Hart, Bob Hasara, Tammy Haynes, Cheryl Haywood, Jeff Hein, Mitch Helton, Dave Henley, Kim Hennrich.

Carmen Herrera, Kim Herrold, George Herron, Karen Herron, Ron Hertaus, Suzie Hicks, Teresa Higgins, Adam Hill, Alana Hill.

Bernie Hill, Jean Hill, Keith Hill, James Hilton, Tom Hines, Anna Hix, Dave Hodges, Sherri Holland, Laura Holok.

Cindy Holt, Amber Holtzman, Russ Hominger, Rob Hoskins, Desiree Howard, Darren Howerton, Rachel Hrehovcsik, Chris Hudson, Amber Hughes.

Jeannine Huisinga, Jim Huk, Leslie Hulse, Susan Inherst, Scott Iseminger, Nahreen Ivan, Russ Jackman, Kelly Jackson, Mike Jacob.

Tim Jacobs, Jay Jalovecky, Brian James, Pam Jarabek, Ruth Jaroscak, Ray Jarvis, Bruce Jelinek, Chris Jensen, Kevin Joganic.



Candy sales help finance elegant Prom

Elegance and warmer weather were the perfect setting for the 1981 Prom. The cost of Prom because of the added touches was high and was covered in part by the candy sales.

The class of '82 decided to sell candy bars and candy sticks as a fund-raiser for Prom. The Hershey bars were 50 cents each and included plain chocolate, Krackle and chocolate with almonds. Candy sticks were 10 cents each or three for a quarter. They came in watermelon, grape and raspberry, just to name a few.

The selling of candy bars and sticks raised a lot of money for Prom.

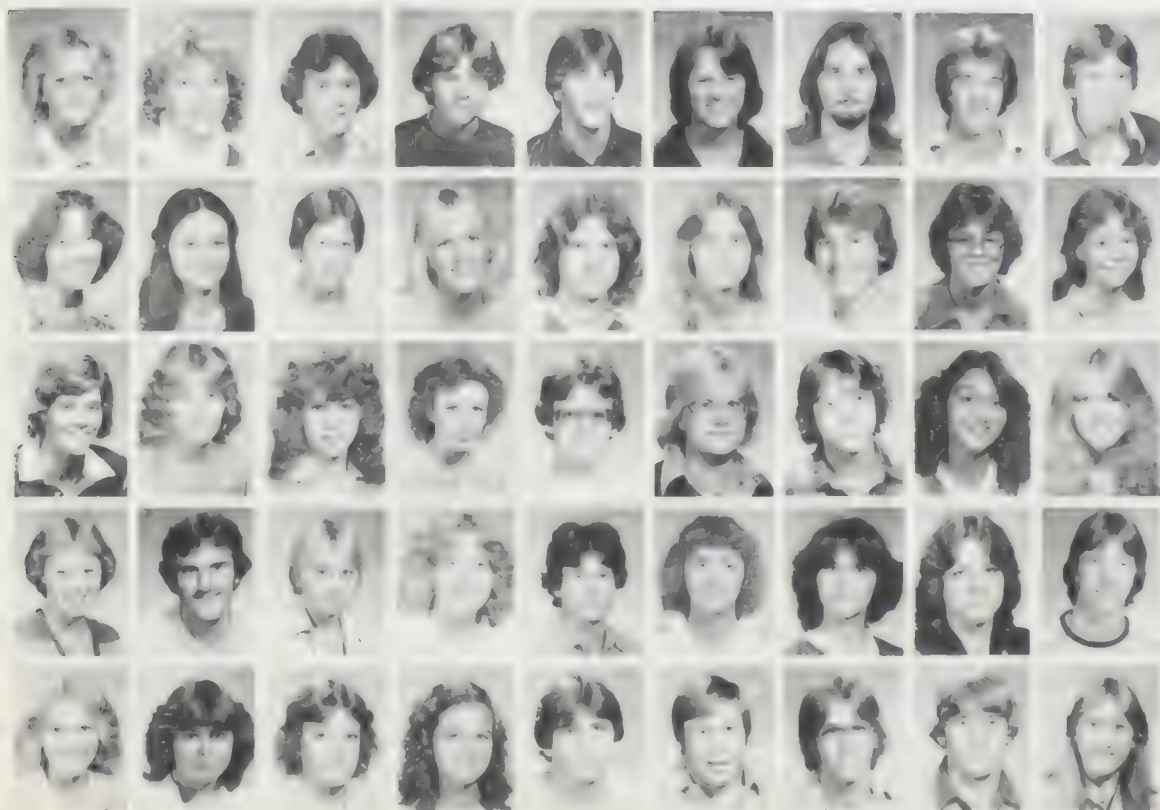
Junior Kyna Bullard approved of the switch from M&M's. "It is a change, and you have more to choose from." Donna Valenti, jr., felt that "more people will buy the candy sticks because they are a lot cheaper and there is a wider selection. We are making just as much money from the candy sticks and candy bars as we did from the M&M's."

The candy sales raised enough money so Prom could be held in a fancier

place. In the past, the prom was in Serbian Hall, but last year with the extra money that was raised, Prom was in the Holidome in the Merrillville Holiday Inn. Also, it was Friday instead of Saturday. Karen Traeger, jr., said, "I am glad it is being held in the Holidome because it is fancier and more like a Prom." Also, Dede Bettis, jr., said, "It was more colorful and it was a pleasant setting."



Karen Creager, jr., sells a candy bar to a fellow student. The candy sales were done during all three lunch hours. Any junior that wanted to help with the sales could. The money raised helped to finance the Prom.



Cindy Johnson, Jeannine Johnson, Jeff Johnson, Rick Johnson, Ron Johnson, Jeanette Jonas, Dwayne Jones, Bob Jones, Tom Jones.

Chris Josleyn, Kathy Judge, Ron Junkin, Suzy Kaiser, Sip Kalch, Gennelle Kalina, Matt Kaminski, Bill Karris, Patti Kasarda.

Jack Kelly, Kit Kelley, Kim Kemp, Tami Kent, Art Kenworthy, Leanne Kersten, Bob Kietzman, Brigitte Kincheloe, Diana Kincheloe.

Karen King, John Klimczyk, Ron Klinger, Angela Knight, Jerry Knight, Jennifer Knight, Deanna Knisely, Pam Koby, Troy Kodie.

Cheryl Komenda, Teresea Kovach, Cheryl Krajetska, Laurie Kravas, John Kreischer, Mark Krill, Matt Kunkle, Eric Kurtz, Sherri LaFrance.

Kathy Lake, Karen Lamar, Darla Lavender, Steve Lawrence, Mike Leech, Scott Lennon, Lorna Leon, Tom Leucuta, Rick Lewis.

Marci Lindsey, Nancy Lockhart, Beth Lorenz, Beth Lucas, Chris Luckey, Ron Luke, Tim Luketch, Bill Lundy, Lisa Lunghofer.

Tammy Luwpas, Lisa Lyda, Lori Lynn, Duane Lyons, Diana Maceri, Kevin Mackey, Tim Majtyka, Donna Malone, Carolyn Mangione.

Ken Mansur, Joe Martin, Dave Mayhew, Kathleen McAllister, Rhonda McCausland, Doug McCord, Cathy McCoy, Tom McDaniel, Susan McEwan.

Charlie McGee, Tim McGhee, Lisa McGucken, Garry McWaters, Terry McWaters, Shelley Medley, Chris Melton, Jeff Melton, Janet Mergl.

Brenda Merrell, Willie Merry, John Messina, Pam Meyers, Rob Meyers, Deb Miars, Jim Michalak, Don Mickles, Jeff Mikenas.

Shelly Mikusevich, Barb Miller, Chester Miller, Cynthia Miller, Judy Miller, Stephanie Miller, Todd Miller, Danny Mills, Bruce Mitchell.

Diane Mitchell, Kirk Mitchell, Tim Mocabee, Mark Montez, Barb Moody, Bill Moore, Butch Moore, Dan S. Moore, John Moravec.

Michelle Morgano, Mish Morin, Doreen Morlock, Tim Mucha, Mike Mulligan, Mike Murbarger, Ron Nabhan, Kim Needham, Troy Neihardt.

Karen Nelson, Lynette Nelson, Rhonda Nelson, Ken Nevers, Lisa Nevill, John Newcom, Jamie Nickoles, Frank Nodd, Bill Nolan.

Tammy Norrod, Chris O'Baker, Parrish, Okeley, Tim O'Meara, Carol Ondras, Kevin Ortiz, Amy Oswald, Mike Paligraf, Mark Pancer.

Greg Papich, Dean Parker, Kent Parker, Dave Parnell, Diane Paterson, Tom Pawlowski, Connie Payne, Dennis Peek, Dale Penix.

Bret Pete, Kim Petersen, John Petrovich, Tom Peverelle, Bob Pezan, Sue Phillips, George Phillips, Denise Philpott, Scott Pieszchala.





Len Pilla, Lester Pinkstaff II, Lynn Plunkett, Pam Pollock, Felicia Posavac, Bobbie Potts, Wanda Powell, Donna Prickett, Susan Propsom.

Pam Quick, Jim Rae, Pam Rahfeldt, Gerard Raiha, Russ Rambo, Tim Rambo, Joan Ramey, Carrie Randolph, Pam Ranzino.

Regina Ray, Jackie Razus, Rick Redman, Tony Reed, Rob Rehfeldt, Doug Reid, Dwaine Reid, Mike Reid, Ten Renehan.

Electronic games: the fad on the rise

The electronic game, a combination of the pocket calculator and the electronic action of the TV video games, is a fad on the rise. Sophomore Miriam Junkin said, "I like the games; they are fun and can be played anytime or anywhere."

Electronic games differed in cost, starting at \$9. Dave Coffin, manager of 3D's Discounts in Valparaiso, stated, "Our most expensive game is Milton, priced at \$70. Adults purchase electronic games most, because at the price they were, children couldn't afford them."

The categories of these electronic toys ranged from sports games to educational games. Other games, such as *Simon* and *Maniac*, were simply for fun.

The sports games were computerized versions of basketball, hockey, baseball and football. These sports games were the most widely purchased. Judy Glancey, 3D's toy department manager, said, "The most popular selling sports game is Coleco's *Head-to-Head Football*."

Consumer Reports magazine stated, "Some of the sports games claim to offer the

fun in their own right. The best of the games give you enough control of action to make speedy judgments in fast-changing and familiar situations."

The teaching value of the educational games depended on several factors. One was that the game should be fun and attractively designed to hold the child's attention. **Consumer Reports** said, "A device that provides generous feedback, such as *'Speak and Spell'* is more likely to hold the child's interest than one that occasionally winks a light." Like any learning tool, an educational game would be more successful with encouragement from others.

Strategy games not only used the power of batteries, but games like *Electronic Mastermind* and *Scrabble Sensor* utilized much of one's brain power. At the same time, they put the nerves on edge.

Target games from \$20 to \$30 were played on skill, luck and the quickness of one's eyes as well as hand reflexes. The goal was to hit, destroy or explode the enemy. Other games that couldn't be put in a category were those like *Simon* and *Maniac*. They were fun games that utilized one's memory.

Even as this fad rose to an all-time high, there were those who had something against the games — the noise. Mrs. Sue Varner, a shopper, said, "The games are fun when you are playing them, but if you are doing something else, the sounds may be disturbing. Most of the time I'm taking aspirins. After a while with all the noise, all I get is a headache."

Billy Pendleton, soph., takes time out of his school schedule to rest in the student commons and play "Catch the Comet" with Fabulous Fred. Fred is programmed to play ten different games, including baseball, roulette and Name That Tune.



Rogers

Robert Reyes, Scott Ribar, Lloyd Richter, Tammy Riggins, Suzy Ritchie, Mary Kay Rix, Curt Roark, Kim Robinson, Carmin Rodriguez.

Kim Ronk, Renee Rooksby, Jaquita Roy, Cindy Runyon, Jeff Sable, Linda Saklaczynski, Mark Salerno, Natalie Samardak, Paul Samay.

Yolanda Sanchez, Laurie Sanders, Joni Sappington, Carrie Satterfield, Ken Schafer, Phil Schlobohm, Jean Schmidt, Joyce Schmidt, Joe Schmitt.

Scott Schuler, Julie Schultz, Lisa Schwei, Dawn Sebelius, Al Seng, Scott Senour, Patty Shadley, Lana Shadrix, Dave Shaffer.



Puppets help Darla Lavender, jr., do a demonstration speech in Mrs. Linda Hicks' discussion class. Other speeches done in this required semester class were impromptu, informative and persuasive.

Roger



Kim Shaffer, Diane Sharpe, Pete Sheltenberg, Wally Sherer, April Shields, Kelly Shirey, Chuck Siler, Kathy Simmons, Tonja Simons.

Joey Simpson, Debbie Sistanich, Dana Skovira, George Slinger, Barbara Smeltzer, Darla Smith, Jan Smith, Jerry Smith, Loren Smith.

Teresa Smith, Jennifer Smothermon, Kim Snelling, Charlene Snyder, Mike Somers, Don Sonner, Rick South, Jamie Spanier, Rich Spicer.

Anne Spisak, Wendy Stahl, John Stahura, Gary Staninger, Dave Stanisis, Dave Stanley, John Stanley, Tina Stanley, Dan Steege.





Karl Siengel, Cyndy Sterling, Jenny Stiles, Pam Stoltz, Ray Stone, Tracey Stone, Sue Strilich, Deanne Strohm, Sue Sudduth.

Tim Suggs, Ray Sulich, Terri Sullivan, Brian Sutherland, Mari Sutherland, Joan Swallow, John Swaney, Greg Sweeney, Todd Syren.

Randy Szelinski, Shari Tachik, Jeff Tanner, Paul Tarnow, Mark D. Taylor, Mark R. Taylor, Teresa Taylor, Charles Tedder, Jeff Tennant.

Stephanie Terry, Jim Tharp, Ken Thews, Denise Thomas, Tammy Thorn, Joel Tibbetts, Mark Tkachik, Karen Traeger, Robin Trainer.

Junior officers active in, out of school



Junior class officers had a great deal of work to do in the school, but they still found time to participate in sports, hobbies and community projects.

Junior Class President Frank Garcia was involved in football and intramural volleyball, basketball and floor hockey. Frank said he decided to run for Student council class president because his friends felt that he was a responsible person and would do a lot of good for their class. When he was not at Student Council meetings or playing football, he would sometimes scuba dive or hand glide.

Vice-President Lynne Wisneski played basketball and softball because she liked the competition. Lynne said, "I ran for Student Council to help and improve the school." Lynne also helped to plan Prom by being chairman of the entertainment committee. She enjoyed Student Council very much because she was more aware of what was going on around school, she added.

Being on the volleyball, basketball, and softball teams took up most of Sue Strilich's spare time. Despite her busy schedule, she was class secretary and was involved in the planning of Prom. She ran for Student Council because she liked being involved in school activities. "Student Council keeps me in touch with what is going on in the school," Sue added.

Bob Jones, treasurer of the class,

was involved in basketball and intramural volleyball. He decided to run for student council because "it sounded like a good idea." In Bob's spare time, he liked playing basketball and the guitar.

All officers were elected by the junior class. Presidential candidates were required to address their class, but it was not mandatory for the vice-president, secretary, or treasurer to make a speech. Juniors then voted on who they wanted to be in office.

Each class officer had his own responsibilities. The major one was making arrangements for Prom. All four officers were involved in this activity, and any other juniors who wanted to help were welcome.

Junior Class Officers — Front Row: Treasurer, Bob Jones. **Row 2:** Secretary, Sue Strilich. **Row 3:** Vice-President, Lynne Wisneski. **Back Row:** President, Frank Garcia.

Sue Trajeska, Kim Travis, Mike Tressler, Melinda Trimble, Chuck Trocino, Bob Troup, Jeff Tschida, Jacki Turley, Connie Unrue.

Sherry Urban, Donna Valenti, Dave Valentine, Merilee Veatch, Ken Vela, Lauren Vernallis, Cliff Vetur, Kerry Vitaniemi, Max Voyles.

Steve Walbright, Alan Walker, Cathy Walton, Linda Walton, Regina Ward, Jeff Wardell, Mike Wardell, Greg Waters, Ron Wathern.

Chris Watts, Dave Watts, Pam Wayne, Dan Weaver, Mike Webber, Vicki Weber, Ken West, Laurie Westergreen, Don Westmoreland.



Tryouts bring out variety of emotions

Intraschool competition could be found in every corner of PHS. Competition for positions on teams, parts in plays and seats for orchestra involved a large number of the student body.

Tryouts mainly consisted of testing skills and determining the effort put in at previous practices. Many things ran through each individual's mind as he awaited his chance to impress the coach, sponsor or director. "Tension fills the air as you are waiting to try out," claimed Pat Shellenberg, jr. "The pressure is packed and you hope you do well". Sandy Hart, jr., added, "When I try out for something, I think to myself I know I'm going to flub up."

Kim Clark and Valerie Allen, jr., and Michele Howard, soph., were only three out of 80 girls that tried out for pom pon squad. There were two cuts since so many girls had signed up. Freshmen, sophomores and juniors were allowed to audition.

Junior Vicki Weber felt somewhat the same when she tried out for volleyball. "I'm very nervous, thinking someone else is better than I am. I am afraid that I will goof up."

Finally, the results were posted. Many students rejoiced with good news, while others had a feeling of rejection. "If I make it," stated varsity volleyball player, Beth Lucas, jr., "I feel relieved, glad and honored." However, Ron Luke, jr., revealed, "If I get cut, I feel rejected and have bad feelings

towards the coach."

All participants, whether they made cuts or not, all shared common emotions. "I feel kids share school spirit," remarked junior Sandy Hart.

Varsity football Coach Les Klein commented, "In football, you don't get cut; you cut yourself." He explained that in football, unlike many other sports, everyone who goes out can be on the team because there is no limit on the number of players who can be on the team.



Swartz



Ed Weyant, Dennis White, Jeff White, Tammy White, Mike Whitlow, Terri Whitten, Mike Wilkie, Paula Willifong, Denise Williams.

Jay Williams, Karen Williams, Steve Williams, Dan Wilson, Mike Wilson, Terri Winders, Lynne Wisneski, Jim Wolfe, Jessica Wolfe.

Tammy Wood, Judy Woodard, Barb Woolcott, Sandy Wozniak, Terri Wright, Joe York, Brian Zajac, Kim Zaragoza, Al Zieba.

Andy Zook.



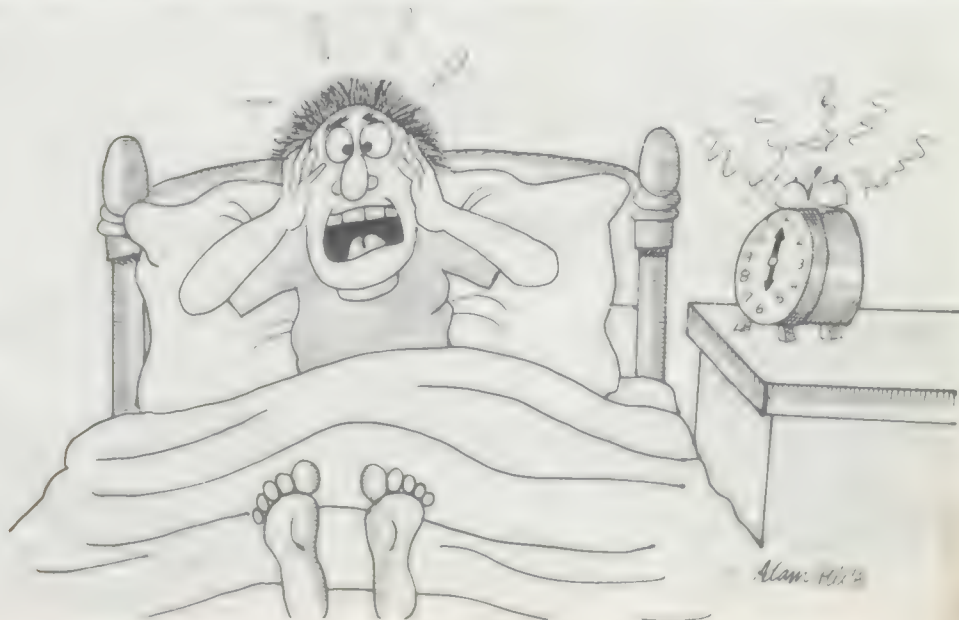
Senior Rose Natalie shows sophs Brenda Binder and Jim Gilbert how to fill out voting cards for Student Council elections. Students voted during their free time such as lunch hour or study hall. There was a 70 per cent turnout for elections.

DON'T YOU HATE . . .

. . . getting up early in the morning for school.
 . . . getting a phone call in the morning when you are trying to sleep.
 . . . standing at the bus stop when it is raining.
 . . . having substitute teachers that know what to do.
 . . . when your teachers are always here.
 . . . splitting your pants first hour.
 . . . breaking up with your boyfriend/girlfriend the week before Prom.
 . . . not having your homework done and being called on during class.
 . . . when the weekends end.
 . . . when the guy/girl you like is going out with someone else.
 . . . when someone runs you down in the hall and does not excuse himself.

. . . when you finally get the courage to ask a guy or girl out and someone already has beaten you to it.
 . . . first dates.
 . . . when your shoe lace breaks.
 . . . when your stomach makes noises in class when it is totally quiet.
 . . . when you are sleeping in class and you jump to alertness.
 . . . when you walk into class late.
 . . . when you fall down the stairs.
 . . . when you trip in the middle of the student commons during lunch hour.
 . . . when you are talking and you spit at someone
 . . . when your parents give you the car with no gas in it.
 . . . when you have two people ask you out for the same night.
 . . . when you can finally do something

and there is nobody to do it with.
 . . . when you are reading and the last page of the book is ripped out.
 . . . when you are babysitting and the kids will not go to bed.
 . . . when you are in a hurry to get somewhere and the driver in front of you is going the speed limit.
 . . . when you step in bubble gum and your foot sticks to the floor.
 . . . writing a term paper the night before it is due.
 . . . having a ton of homework and not having the time to do it.
 . . . when everybody is going somewhere over spring vacation and you have to stay home.
 . . . going to school for two months without a vacation.
 . . . when you have been on a diet for six months and your friend just invited you to go to Baskin Robbins.
 . . . when you drop your lunch tray and everyone claps.
 . . . having a quiz in every class on Friday.
 . . . when you miss an A by one point.
 . . . when you drop your books and everybody walks all over them.
 . . . when you get to the third floor and you forgot something on the first.



Sophomores



Tami Abbott, Robert Abell, Marialyce Akers, Mickell Alexander, Dianna Alford, Kim Allande, Valerie Allen, Beth Allison, John Allred.

Kathy Altese, Mona Alvarez, Holly Anderson, Rich Andreatta, Kelly Andresen, Pete Anteck, John Armstrong, Glen Ashcraft, Jim Ashford.

Monica Aslin, Linda Aydelotte, Tony Aydelotte, Darlene Bachar, Donna Bachar, Stephanie Bacon, Vicky Barber, Sheila Barger, Pat Barnes.

Mike Barnhart, Sue Bartelheim, Debbie Bates, Bob Bauske, Gary Beasley, Bill Beattie, Tony Bellar, Pat Benac, Mary Bengero.

Paula Berry, Chris Bertucci, Frank Be-shars, Rich Biggs, Darlene Billips, Brenda Binder, Sheryl Biodrowski, Jim Bishop, Eric Blake.

John Blanchard, Tony Blanchard, Sophie Bogard, Jim Bogdan, Kathy Bolinger, Kevin Bonick, John Bowen, Carol Bowman, Randy Bowman.

Lisa Bridges, Gary Brignoni, Brenda Brooks, Charlie Brown, Dave Brown, Larry Brown, Mike Brown, Tami Brownfield, Terry Bryan.

Clarissa Bullard, Sherry Bullock, Greg Bumbales, Renne Burgess, Dan Butler, Dan Cahillane, Scott Cairns, Ada Camacho, Raul Camacho.

Betina Campbell, Jerry Capron, Kevin Cardenas, Erik Carlson, Chuck Carney, Julie Carney, Anne Carpenter, Kevin Carpenter, Ralph Carrasco.

Mike Carroll, Rich Carter, Ken Cary, Jerry Castellanos, Kim Castor, Loren Cates, Mike Catlin, Laurie Cavarretta, Gina Caviggiola.

Jeff Cayton, Dave Caywood, Jane Chadwick, Lisa Chambliss, Julie Chavez, Nancy Chavez, Lori Cheek, Donna Cherry, Kim Childers.

Kim Chrusciel, Dave Ciesielski, Bob Clark, Cathy Clark, Karen Clark, Kim Clark, Tim Claxton, Pat Clem, Jill Coates.

John Cochran, Jim Colley, Chris Collins, Rose Colonel, Don Colvin, Chuck Conners, Bud Conrad, Rod Cook, K. C. Cool.

Lisa Cooper, Ron Cope, Joe Corbett, Tina Cordova, Diana Cornett, Larry Costakis, Karen Coster, Nancy Cowser, Mary Cox.

Tim Cox, Julie Creech, Lisa Creviston, Mark Criswell, David Cunningham, Frank Cunningham, Scott Cunningham, Mark Czazasty, Sharon Czazasty.

Dale Dahlgren, Ed Dahlgren, Joe Daniel, Renee Darosky, Mary Dauber, Mike Davidson, Tracy Davis, Frank Dees, Mary DeMike.

David Didelot, Brian Dietz, Jane Dixon, Tracy Dobis, Kathy Doege, Chris Doell, Mary Donaldson, Janet Dugger, Joe Durkin.

Mark Dye, Rhonda Eagen, Denise Edwards, Sally Eftenoff, Scott Elliott, Karl Ennulat, Lance Erickson, Ronda Erwin, Pat Esposito.

Debbie Evans, Gary Evans, Glenn Evans, Kara Evenson, Shelley Ewen, Andrea Eyster, Nick Falatic, Dean Fay, Mary Feeney.

Bert Fekete, Kathy Fekete, Tom Ferguson, Wilma Fields, Shannon Fifield, Joyce Fike, Shelly Filar, Gary Filipas, Raunda Fisher.

Sue Fitch, Tim Fitzjarald, Fred Fleischman, Ken Flick, Dave Fodemski, Allison Ford, Kim Foreman, Ross Fortini, Ed Foster.

Rich Frank, Terry Frazier, Val Frazier, Lori Friend, John Fritz, Shaunda Fritz, Jim Gaboian, David Gaddis, Lisa Gaddis.

Glenn Gagliardi, Bryon Gaines, Rod Gaines, Kenneth Gale, Carolyn Galle-more, Cecilia Galvan, Gina Garapic, Jackie Gardner, Caroline Garus.

Krista Garus, Tammy Gasper, Joe Gaudio, Larry Geary, Connie Geever, Greg Geever, Jerry Gibson, Danny Gilbert, Jim Gilbert.



Sophomore officers are people oriented



The main reason for running for a sophomore class office was the chance to work with other people, according to the class officers.

Student Council officers for 1980-81 were Geoff Sherry, president; Chris Bertucci, vice-president; Kelly Ingram, secretary; and Sue Goffiney, treasurer.

Geoff felt that Student Council would give him leadership and responsibility for the future. "I like to work with other people, and I like to have a role in what happens in the school," Geoff said. He added that Student Council encouraged more sophomore involvement in all activities. Geoff was on the speech and debate team and was the JV basketball manager. He enjoyed collecting beer cans and listening to

music. Kansas was his favorite group. He also planned to attend college.

Chris was a JV cheerleader and a member of Ski and Pep Clubs. She said Student Council gave her leadership, responsibility and organization. She added that "without Student Council, most activities would be unorganized." She also enjoyed skiing, reading and swimming. Chris plans to be either a physical therapist or an executive accountant.

Kelly said she ran for Student Council because she likes people. She also said that Student Council gave her a chance to learn about leadership. Kelly hopes to teach college math. She enjoyed playing the piano and reading. Kelly joined square dancing, clogging and orchestra.

Sue said Student Council helped her communicate better with people. She concluded, "It's a good thing to be involved with." She was on the JV volleyball team. Sue hopes to get into medicine or business.

Sophomore class officers were Kelly Ingram, secretary; Sue Goffiney, treasurer; Geoff Sherry, President; and Chris Bertucci, vice-president. The officers said that they ran for office because they like to work with people.



Mary Gilbert, Scott Gilliana, Larry Gillis, John Gilmore, Rich Gilmore, Tan Glancy, Tony Glancy, John Glass, Kim Gleason.

Beth Godby, Sue Goffiney, Jackie Goin, Tracy Gokey, Mike Gonzalez, Ane Gorden, Jackie Gourley, Sue Grant, Rich Gratt.

Larry Graves, Katnna Greer, Janet Gregg, Bob Griffith, Cindy Griffith, Missy Grutsch, Patty Gumm, James Haburjak, Julie Hagan.

Robin Hagan, John Hagle, Chris Haines, Bob Haire, Tnsa Halcomb, Tonya Hale, Bryan Hall, Richard Hallman, Valerie Hallmen.

April Halmagy, Matt Halstead, Doug Hanauer, Lisa Handlon, Deb Hannon, Jerry Harbison, Rob Hardesty, Charles Harlan, Dave Harrington.

Donna Harris, Suzy Harris, Chris Harvey, Harold Harvey, Kim Haslet, Veronica Hathaway, Cliff Hayes, Jim Heater, Mike Heatherly.

Mark Heckman, Chuck Heimberg, Ginger Helton, Robert Hendrix, Dave Henry, Glenn Hentz, Tern Hess, Beth Hewitt, Sue Hewitt.

Motocross racing #1 on Rhonda's list

It was a hot Sunday afternoon, with the sun beating down on everyone's head. Some of the racers had wet down their jerseys so the heat would not bother them so much. A man shaded his eyes from the glare so he could see the race better. One of the spectators, a woman, had her eyes firmly fixed on number 65. If someone asked her what the other participants were doing, she would have answered that she didn't know. An announcer's voice intoned, "Number 39 is in the front with 23. Fifteen isn't far behind. Number 65 is gaining on them. At the turn she . . ."

She?

Approximately three girls in Indiana and Michigan participated in motocross. One of them was Rhonda Eagen, soph. "I find girls want to race, but their parents won't let them," Rhonda explained.

Her cousin raced first, and he was the one who interested her in motocross. Rhonda said that one reason she started racing was "I wanted to race against boys and beat 'em!"

Rhonda's first race was about four years ago. She came in last place, but found out she enjoyed it. Rhonda has improved since then and has won two trophies, one fourth and one sixth place.

The motocross races are open to anyone with an American Motorcycle Association card. They are on Saturdays and Sundays and last all day. Sometimes the cyclists race 15 laps so that it is like an endurance race.

"More girls should get interested in it if they're tough," Rhonda said.

Her father taught her to ride on her first motorcycle, but after that she had to work out her riding techniques for herself. "You have to practice a lot. You

have to take a lot of time to get ready for the race, and if you're really interested you have to put a lot of time into trying to make the money to buy the stuff you need for the race," Rhonda commented. Motocross is an expensive sport. Rhonda's motorcycle was \$865 and the cost of her equipment about \$500. There was also a five dollar fee for each race.

Mrs. Barbara Eagen, Rhonda's mother, said that she was glad Rhonda was in motocross. "I think it's a good sport, but I get so nervous when she's on the line that I feel she is going to get smashed," she explained. Mrs. Eagen said that Rhonda was usually in the center, even though she told her to hang back.

Near the start of the race, Mrs. Eagen said she goes off and doesn't think about anything. However, she added that the racing part itself didn't scare her.

She would not allow Rhonda to race or practice without her safety equipment. For protection, Rhonda wore knee and hip pads, a kidney belt, steel-toed boots, shoulder pads, goggles, mouthpiece and helmet.

She has had one accident near the beginning of last year. "I hit a bump and I just went end over end," she explained. Rhonda, whose sternum was severely bruised in her accident, said that motocross is dangerous, especially if a person takes risks or does not wear safety equipment.

In her spare time, when she was not racing, Rhonda hunted with her father, went on dates and played different sports. She skied and went snowmobiling in the winter. She liked many sports, especially softball, but concluded, "Motocross is number one on my list."



Sophomore Rhonda Eagen found it necessary to "suit up" for safety. Her safety equipment alone cost about \$500, in addition to the \$865 for her bike. Motocross is an expensive sport, but after the initial investment, costs decrease.

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Sophomores expect less, receive more

Sophomores arrived on Aug. 27, 1980, a day before the other two classes. They came for their orientation day with many expectations.

The orientation consisted of sophomores meeting in the auditorium during the first three hours of school. After being informally introduced to their teachers, the students distributed themselves throughout the high school into their classrooms.

Beth Allison said that she expected PHS to be big, but when she came for the first day, she was surprised how huge the school really was. On the other hand, Melissa Ramsay commented, "I expected the high school to be a lot bigger and harder to find my way around."

The '80-'81 sophomores had the largest class attending PHS. There was a total of 800 sophomores which included 410 males and 390 females.

Conclusions were drawn after a few weeks at PHS. "I'm surprised PHS has stayed as clean as long as it has. I expected it to be more run down and vandalized," commented Ross Fortini. Robert Kacher added, "The facilities here provide the student with all the necessities for a good education."

How to get a parking permit was one topic of discussion for Julie Lenburg, Tina Thielbar, Krista Garus and Kelly Mackey, sophs. The student commons was a familiar site for gathering either during lunch or before school.



Lunch break is a time to get together with fellow students and chat about current events and school-related activities. This time is widely used by many sophomores such as Tracy Davis, Sue Gulliney and Connie Gever.



Monroe

Mini course deals with World War II

The World War II mini-course of Mr. David Masty studied the time between the decline of the Roman Empire to the Middle East situation to obtain an indepth view of World War II.

"The purpose of the class is to provide the student the chance to understand the people and events which have shaped our history, while allowing the student to study the current military

situations, weapons and strategy," said Mr. Masty.

According to Mr. Masty, the course presented theoretically the most important events and crucial turning points in history.

The course taught the major battles and overall of the different wars and strategies, plus the hidden and obvious causes. The class was also shown how the interplay of diplomats has led to war and why certain military campaigns have worked or failed.

In addition, the students studied how critical battles have been affected not only by innovations and advances in technology and science but also by the generals and the sophistication of the equipment used in battle.

Senior Brian Herr, who took the course three times, said that "this class gives the most detailed information available in the school on World War II."

"World War II class provides great insight in varying degrees into history," said Mr. Masty. "The students are able to find comparisons of things in the past with situations today."



Sophomore Ron Penix shows a submachine gun to the World War II mini course as part of a presentation dealing with war artifacts. In addition, Mr. David Masty, instructor, presented Allied and Axis money, a Nazi flag and other items



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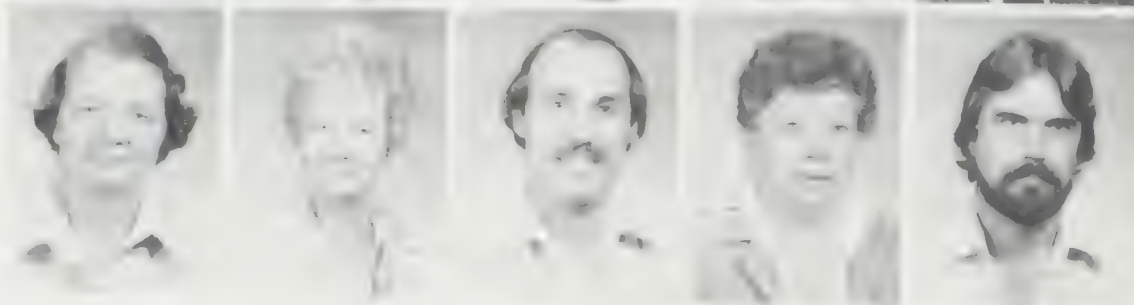
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Faculty

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School Board — Front Row: **Mrs. Sally Olsen**, **Mrs. Glenda Owens**. Back Row: **Mr. Richard Turnak**, **Mr. James Millington**, **Mr. William English**.





Mr. Tim McElroy, social studies, explains to the students how to identify a triangle. He draws a triangle on the chalkboard and points to it. During the lesson, he asks the students to identify the triangle and how to name it.



Mr. Forrest Rhode — Principal. **Mr. Floyd Johnson** — Assistant Principal. **Mrs. Maureen Shindeldecker** — Assistant Principal. **Mr. Robert Smith** — Dean of Students.

Mr. Maurice Tolbert — Attendance Officer. **Mrs. Jerry Krysa** — Security Officer. **Mr. Dennis Arvidson** — Security Officer.

Chemist formulates cakes in spare time

Mr. Marvin Guernsey dabbled in stamp collecting, leathercraft, oil painting and genealogy in his spare time. He also played the piano and enjoyed easy-listening types of music. In fact, he build his own organ and his own stereo.

A task that required a considerable amount of time and effort was the cake decorating that this chemistry teacher did as a sideline.

"I don't do many cakes in the winter months. In fact, I turn down a lot of them. There simply isn't the time with school going on," said Mr. Guernsey. However, he has had some pretty full summers, and he had taken orders for the coming summer.

Mr. Guernsey took a course in cake decorating offered in the adult education program at PHS in November, 1972. He decorated graduation cakes, wedding cakes, shower cakes and birthday cakes.

"His cakes are well-known among the members of his church, and many at school admire them, too. His prices were also very reasonable and usually cheaper than the bakery's prices were," commented Penny Walker, sr., a satisfied customer.

Mr. Guernsey was a Portage High School graduate. He also attended Indiana University for two years and Brigham University, from which he obtained his bachelor of science degree in chemistry. He worked at U.S. Steel as a chemical technician, but became unhappy with industrial work. He then obtained his teaching certificate at Valparaiso University and has taught at PHS for 20 years.

Mr. Marvin Guernsey, science teacher, goes over a test with his advanced chemistry class. During the summer and after hours he enjoyed making and decorating cakes. He made cakes for all occasions from birthdays to graduations.



Mr. Dennis Bond — Government, National Honor Society. **Mr. Ron Buls** — U.S. History. **Mr. Jack Cantwell** — Science. **Mr. Larry Casbon** — Athletic Director. **Lt. Col. Denver Dale** — JROTC, Drill Teams, Marksmanship team.

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Miss Gerri Kotyuk, English teacher, works with her junior classes on vocabulary. Gerri, together with her sister Kathy, also an English teacher, sponsored the Pep Club, along with the cheerleaders and lifters.



Mrs. Lynn Huerta — Spanish I, II. **Mr. Robert Kerns** — Math, Athletic Trainer. **Mr. Greg Kirby** — Business, Varsity Basketball. **Mrs. Eva Kjennerud** — English.

Mr. Lester Klein — Health, Varsity Football, Assistant Athletic Director. **Mr. Joseph Koss** — Art. **Miss Gerri Kotyuk** — English, Cheerleaders, Pep Club. **Miss Kathy Kotyuk** — English, Cheerleaders, Pep Club. **Mrs. Julia Kovalow** — English, Speech.



Mrs. Dorothy Kurtz — English, Speech. **Mr. Thomas Lauerman** — Guidance Counselor. **Mr. Michael Lemond** — Economics, Golf Coach, Assistant Football Coach. **Mr. Tom Levandoski** — Physical Education, Varsity Baseball Coach. **Mrs. Shirley Lindquist** — Record Keeping, Typing.



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Teachers stay beyond the call of duty



Mr. Bill Bodnar helps Greg Beasley, sr., with his role as Charlie Brown in the fall musical. Mr. Bodnar directed the fall and spring musicals, along with the winter drama. He also taught acting and drama classes.

Mrs. Joanne Taylor sings to show the tenor Choraliers how their part goes. The song was "Celebration" and it was used to open every concert. Mrs. Taylor spent many hours with the students both in and out of school.

Mr. Martin Sensenbaugh watches as Howard Gauger, sr., Joe Gaudio, soph., and the rest of the Marching Indians practice a routine. The band, under Mr. Sensenbaugh's direction, performed at home football games and contests.



Mr. Floyd Johnson, Mr. Robert Mullen, Mr. Walter Alexander, Mr. Les Klein and Mr. Greg Kirby were among faculty who answered questions about their high school days for sociology class. The students combined the facts into reports about past years.



Miss Shirley M. Speilman — English, Saga.
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Mr. Ted Wienke — Math. **Mr. Edwin Wiens** — Science. **Mrs. Paula Wiese** — Art, Physical Education. Junior Varsity Volleyball. **Mr. Robert Wilson** — Math. **Mrs. Sandra Zeller** — Spanish, Spanish Club.





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Attraction

Farmers stay despite population growth

For years, Slangers, Gottliebs and many other farmers lived off the land which surrounds Route 6. Then practically overnight, population growth took over. Shopping centers were constructed where cornfields used to be. Some farmers kept their land and continued farming despite the sudden building trend.

Portage High School was erected on land once owned and farmed by the Lenburg family. Parts of the past are remembered by the beams which decorate the guidance suite. These beams were taken from the Lenburg barn. Along with the building

of the high school came the construction of several homes.

Mayor John P. Williams said, "The school has the greatest effect on resident growth and expansion, not business growth." Since the expansion of the high school, there are more complete facilities to teach a larger number of students. Several houses and apartments were built to accommodate these new students and their families.

There was a greater demand for goods from local merchants, as a result of the population boom. "Development along

Route 6 encouraged residential and commercial establishments," commented Mayor Williams.

Many merchants who were already in the Portage area moved out to Route 6 for various reasons. John Mattix, owner of the Locker Room, said that he moved his store because he wanted to be in a central location for South Haven, Lake Station, Hobart and Portage.

The results of the 1980 Census showed that Portage's population had grown vastly, surpassing that of Valpo and making it the largest city in the county.

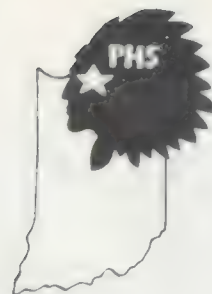
Judge Roger V. Bradford, a Portage High School graduate, presides over the North Porter County Court. The courthouse was built off Rt. 6 to provide services for the residents of the north section of Porter County.



The Portage Commons mall was evidence of the increasing growth along Rt. 6. The Locker Room and Hair Unlimited were two stores that moved to the Commons from the Portage Mall, while other stores were new to the Portage area.



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Senior Rick Koen and **Betina Campbell**, soph., purchase ice cream at the new Baskin Robbins Ice Cream Parlor on Route 6. Baskin Robbins was just one of many stores that was built in the new Portage Commons Mall.

Wolf Mansion was converted from a farm house into several small stores once business started growing in the Route 6 area. Many Prom goers took advantage of the flower shop located there when buying corsages for their dates.



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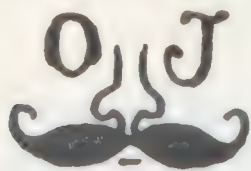
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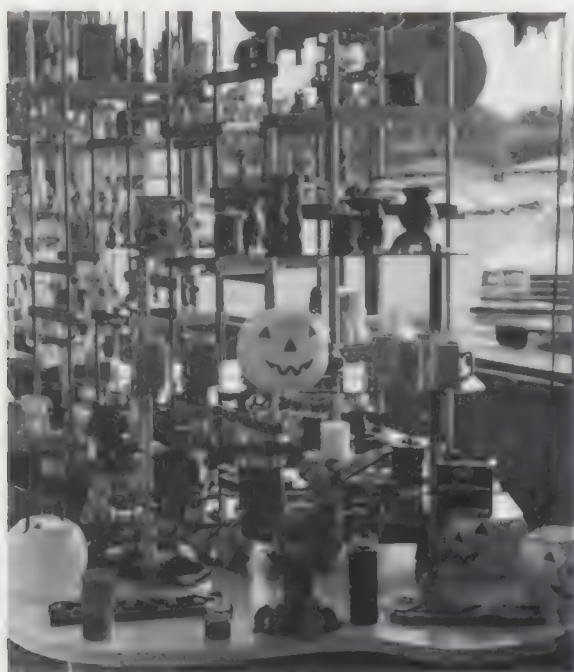
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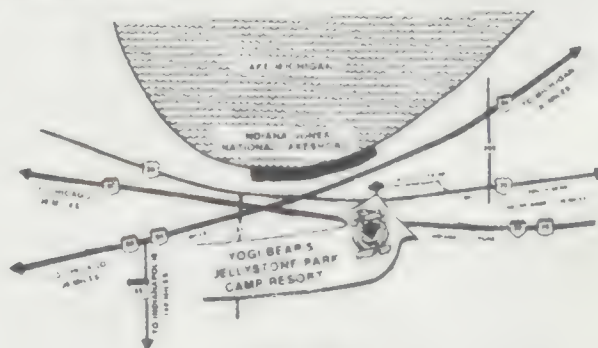
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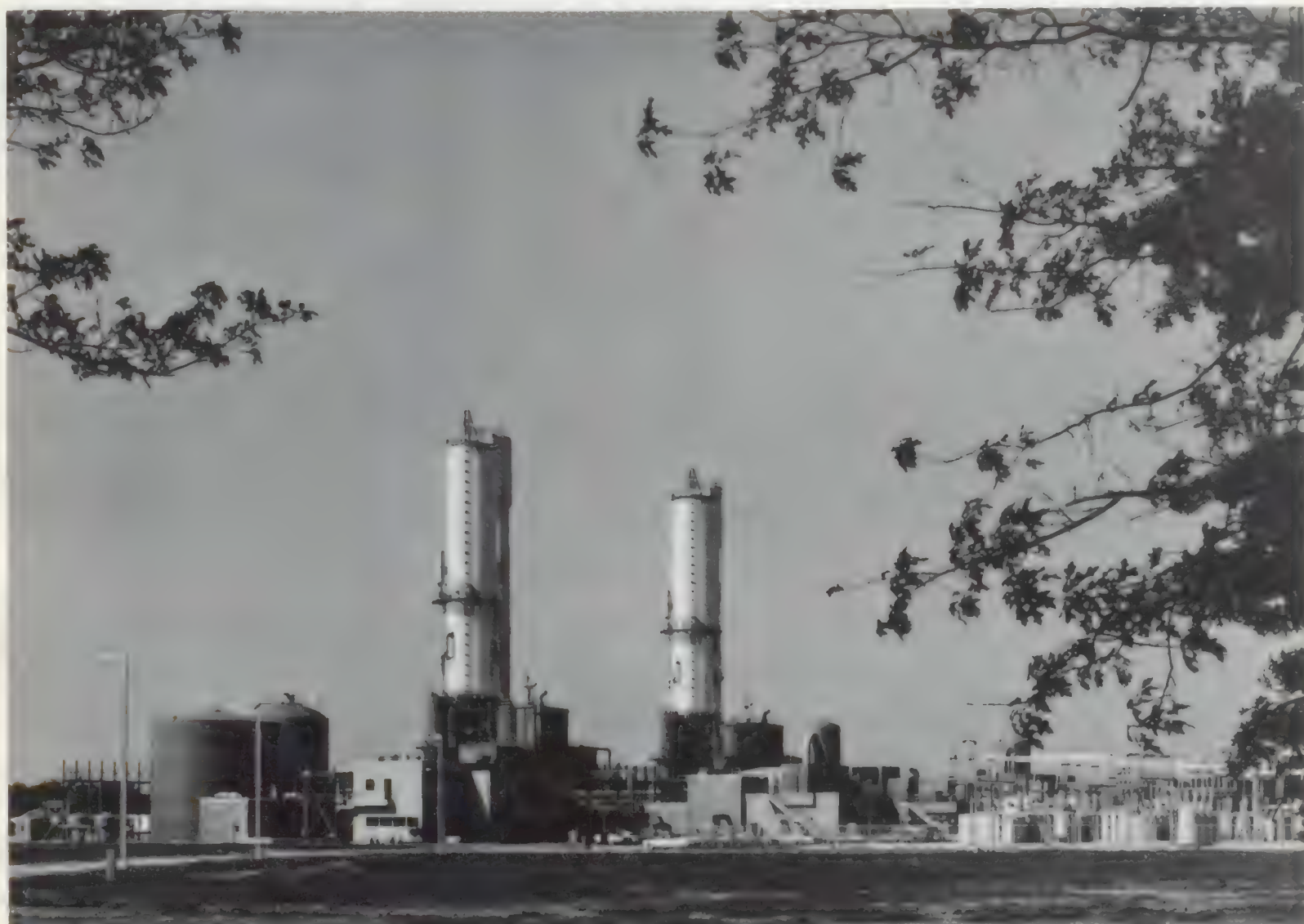
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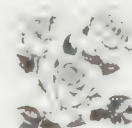
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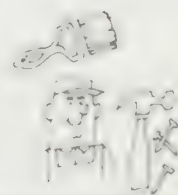


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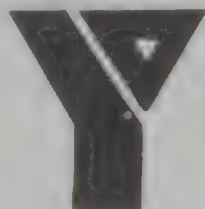
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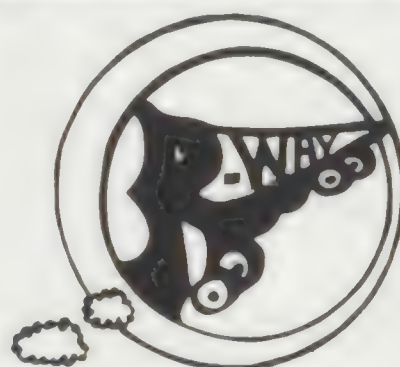
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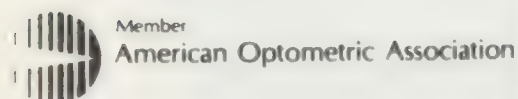
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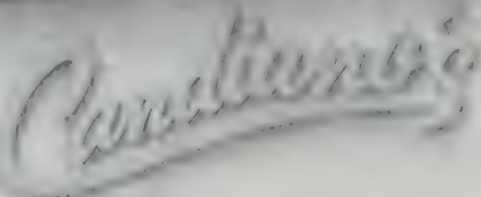
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Portage schools undergo major surgery

Adding a new three-story high school complex did not satisfy the needs of the growing city of Portage. Phase two included reorganization of junior high and elementary school students and the complete remodeling of the old high school building. The project will span three years and cost approximately \$4 million.

The old high school is undergoing a complete facelift with major changes taking place in heating, electric and ventilating facilities. This building will be converted to a junior high accommodating the former Aylesworth and Grissom students. Aylesworth Junior High will change to Aylesworth Elementary. Garyton, the oldest existing building in the Portage system, will tentatively house Adult Education.

The plan is to develop a campus type high school incorporating two buildings, Grissom and PHS. Grissom will house the majority of freshman students, plus vocational printing and computer

education classes.

The tentative class schedule will remain unchanged with the exception of the length of passing periods. One of the two plans will be used to deal with the extended travel time between the two buildings. The first plan is to use a six or seven minute passing period and take the two minutes off the length of each class. The second would be to give those students traveling between the high school and Grissom three extra minutes and a special pass to identify them to teachers. The new building arrangement will also cut down on the number of teachers traveling, other than to and from Grissom.

"The move will put no teachers out of work as it is just an organizational change," said Dr. George McKay, assistant superintendent of secondary education. Positions will be adjusted after ninth grade teachers suggest where they want to be placed. Mr. Forrest Rode will become the co-ordinating principal and

have assistants in each building.

The only department which will add members is guidance. Two counselors will be placed at Grissom to exclusively handle ninth grade problems. These counselors will work in cooperation with the high school department. After the transition to tenth grade the freshmen will be mainstreamed into the present high school counseling system.

"Ninth grade should be with high

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Community spirit was displayed for all to see along Portage's main drag, Central Avenue. The city of Portage purchased the Indian signs, and the street department installed them throughout Portage's business district.



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During regionals, Diesel Mechanics student Bob Madden, sr., checks the backlash in a manual transmission. Mark Bowen, sr., received a first in state VICA (Vocational Industrial Clubs Of America) competition and continue on to Nationals.

Mickey Bumbales, fresh., third chair violinist, commutes each day from Grissom to take part in the ninth grade orchestra program. Students from the three middle schools were bused to PHS to practice as one musical unit.



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Throughout the school year, Portage's Rotary Club invited various departments of PHS to send guest speakers to Rotary luncheons. Sherry Gucich, sr., tells about her activities associated with the music department.

Mary Sathoski, sr., reads as a Fountain View resident spells out what she wants to say. This patient cannot speak and talks through use of a special mat with alphabetic, numeric and special characters printed on it.



The PHS Connection The P

Expansion

High school to take on Grissom, frosh

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school. Physically, they're closer to the high school level. Although, ideally, they (the 9-12 grades) should be in one building, there isn't physical space," said Mr. Robert Mullen, head counselor. To house all the students in one building would add 800 more people to the school and expand the building one fourth bigger than it presently is. "The building is big enough," added Mr. Mullen, "since the population is not growing. If the population continues to stay the same, the building would be too big. As it exists

now, it will be an adequate size for at least 12 years."

Along with the change in facilities, the freshmen will be required to take two new classes. A swimming class, which will be included in their gym credit, and a six to nine week computer literacy course will be required. The latter course is "basically to familiarize them with what computers do and are, because there are so many things they are used for and with," Mr. Mullen said. When familiar with the computers the students will be able to use terminals to tap into all types of

programs which will help them. Programs for math, English and other academic courses are planned.

Beginning in June, 1982, the materials, equipment and supplies will be transported to their appropriate buildings. "I think the community is very well aware of the direction we want to go, as the plan has been in the works for quite awhile. We have to make it work. I think a 9-12 grade program is probably the most logical high school set-up. It's best for all to be involved in a more complete, more continuous program," Mr. Rhode concluded.

Junior Greg Apathy helps Bob Lange, soph., on the Nautilus equipment which is located in Grissom Middle School. The leg extension helped to develop muscles in the upper and lower leg. The machines were available to anyone in athletics.



Portage area citizens were suddenly given a choice of joining not one, but two, brand new racquetball and health clubs. Diana Erickson, sr., uses the facilities of the Racquet Barn located on Rt. 6 near South Haven.

The PHS Guidance Department sponsored several college mini fairs to help students learn about different college choices available to them. Mike Crnarich, jr., asks the Saint Joseph's College representative for information.



The PHS Connection The P



A far cry from the idea of what a normal gymnasium should look like, the old PHS gym serves as a storage area for school renovation supplies. The renovation is scheduled to be completed by February of 1981.

On the night of Mar. 22, 1981, many students gathered in the PHS auditorium to welcome the local band, Deep River. The concert was arranged by the senior class and was open to PHS students and their guests at \$3 per person.



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